

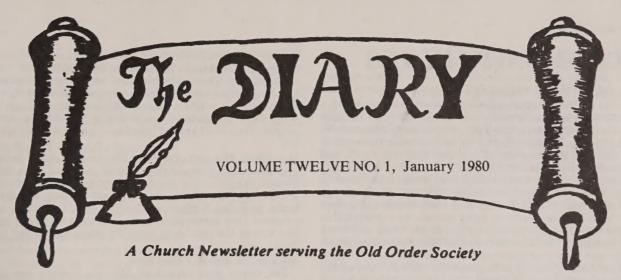
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## **A CHRONICLE**

of births, deaths, marriages, baptisms, crop and weather reports, current events, historical items, geneology, besides many other articles of general interest.

THIS MONTH

On this cover is an enlarged drawing of the Jacob Klopfenstein Almanac frontispiece. While Jacob may not have been a full member of the Alsation Amish, no one can deny that his almanac was devoted to French Anabaptist Agriculture, as the title suggests. The drawing exhibits his diversified knowledge to agriculture and astronomy. Courtesy Willie Hege, Altkirch, France.

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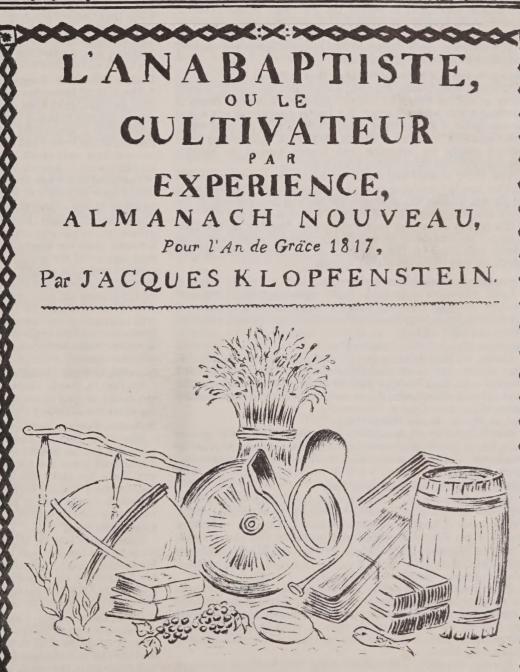
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# **COMMUNITY NOTES**

Lancaster County, Penna. - Young Girl Killed By Truck

A 22 month old Strasburg area girl apparently ran underneath a moving milk truck and was crushed to death about 8 a. m. Tuesday morning, Lancaster state police said. The victim, Elizabeth S. Beiler, was dead on arrival at 9:06 a.m. at Lancaster Osteopathic Hospital. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel E. and Mary B. Smucker Beiler of Strasburg #1.

The accident happened on the Beiler farm, three miles south of Strasburg. Galen W. Stauffer, 38, of Paradise #1, had just completed a pickup of milk for his bulk milk truck and looked around his vehicle before he drove away because he knew children were on the farm. Seeing no one, he got in his truck and went about 200 feet down the farm driveway to May Post Office Road. Then he glanced in his rear-view mirror and saw the child laying in the driveway behind him. It is believed the child ran out of the milkhouse and underneath the rear of the truck. Nobody knows where she came from, and no one saw the accident. The father reportedly attempted to revive the girl with mouth-to-mouth resuscitation. Death was attributed to hemorrhaging caused by massive internal injuries.

The child was the youngest of five Beiler children and the only daughter in the family. See obituary.

Hazelton, Iowa - 6 Year Old Killed on Way to School

It was a cold, windy morning, Lester Beachy, age 6, started early to walk to school on Friday, January 11, he had hopes of catching a ride with a teacher. But Lester needed not any school lessons to do. A gust of wind rolled his hat across the road only a short distance from his home. A milk truck approaching from behind caught his attention and Lester seemed to hesitate whether he could reach his hat vet in time.

The truck slowed and swerved, but as he passed, Lester's mother saw her son lying on the hard frozen road. Life had fled in an instant without any struggle. He had run into the side of the truck receiving massive head injuries, a broken neck and hip.

There was no school held Friday and Monday at the local schools, the teachers attended the funeral which was held Monday, January 14. The milk truck driver, Fred Steinbronn and his young wife also attended the funeral.

Kinzer, Penna. - Senior Member Dies

Lydia, 87, widow of Josiah L. Beiler, died Jan. 30th. A native of Leacock Township, Lancaster County, Pennasylvania. She lived most of her live in the Springville area. They retired from farming a number of years ago. See obituary.

Loganton, Penna. - Senior Member Dies

Lavina, 85, wife of bishop Dan E. Stoltzfus, died on January 4th. She was a native of Leacock Township, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania. They lived just north of Intercourse, Pennsylvania the most of her life. Her husband who survives, was a long known senior bishop of Lancaster County. See obituary.

Narvon, Penna. - Senior Member Dies

Levi E. Stoltzfus, 85, an active farmer in his prime years, in spite of being handicaped with one arm amputated. In semi-retired years he was occupied in a toy making shop which he operated until recent years. See obituary.

Lancaster, Penna. - Senior Member Dies

Rebecca S. Beiler, 81, wife of David S. Beiler died, January 27th. She was a native of Leacock Township, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania. A daughter of bishop Christian L. King, the well known bishop of the King district. Rebecca joined the Old Order Amish Church in her youth. They lived in the Lancaster RD area for many vears. See obituary.

Mercer, Penna. - Accident with Buzz Saw.

Valentine, 9 year old son of Urie S. and Mary V. Yoder met with an accident while helping buzz wood on January 5, when he accidently slipped on the snowy ground landing on his back and his one foot hit the circle saw. He spent 1 week in hospital and is recovering nicely.

Community Notes

Harvey, son of Chris E. and Saloma J. Hostetler had his buggy badly broken while on his way to a singing when he was hit by a hit

Mrs. John D. Byler (Esther) slipped and fell in their basement

and broke her leg and now has it in a cast.

Centreville, Michigan - 3 year old suffers scalds.

Carolyn, 3 year old daughter of Leroy Hochstetler is in Kalamazoo Hospital with 2nd degree burns on her body and hands. She accidently pulled a pan of boiling water over her hands and body when her mother was steaming her. She is coming along alright. They don't know if they have to do any skin drafting yet or

Marshfield, Missouri - Girl Gets Fingers Mangled in Sausage Mill

Uhristina, 13 year old daughter of John and Rosa Raber got 3 fingers mangled while helping to grind sausage at their home on January 2. Several fingers were only hanging by the skin and broke in 2 and 3 places each. But with the magic of modern surgeons they managed to save all but the tip of the long finger. She was in the operating room 10 hours and in the hospital 10

LeRaysville, Penna. - Shop Fire

The buggy shop owned by Milo D. Yoder's was completely destroyed by fire on the morning of January 22. Fortunately they had left 1 buggy outside the night before, which was also afire when they reached the scene, but was soon smothered by several pails of water. The shop tools were a complete loss. They had just built a new end on it this past year. The fire was first noticed by a neighbor who notified the fire department at once. The cause of the fire is still undetermined.

Chetek, Wisconsin - Buggy-Car Accident.

The 17th of November, Preacher Tobias Borntreger, wife and baby and Mrs. John Mast were to Rice Lake. On the way home for some unknown reason a car drove in them from behind. It was a small car so it went under the buggy. The buggy was demolished and one of the horses had a leg cracked in 2 places. But luckily no one was hurt, only shook up and sore. They bandaged the horses' leg and are not to move it in hopes it will come alright again.

The same day Enos Mullets had a bad chimney fire. The fire

trucks were called but no damage was done.

Kokomo, Indiana - Man Hospitalized after Grinder Accident.

January 24, Andy Herschberger Jr. had a step ladder on grinder mixer and was using a wrench to loosen the stuck auger of a nearby grain bin when the wrench slipped, throwing him on the dust catcher of the grinder and on down to the ground on large crushed rocks. He weighs 180 lbs. and fell about 12 feet altogether landing on his head and shoulder. His brother Eugene was helping him so he soon had help there to take him to the hospital where he was in intensive care for two of the five days he spent there. He was unconscious and semi-conscious the first 24 hours due to a concussion without brain or bone damage. He also had a jagged cut in his hair and a broken right shoulder blade. He is recovering well at home now.

Norwich, Ontario - Accident

On Jan. 14, Dan D. Shetler Jr. was pitching the porch roof when the ladder slipped throwing him to the ground, breaking his left leg above the ankle in 2 places.

Belleville, Penna. - Accident

Mrs. (Pre. Dan L.) Fannie Peachey fell down the cellar way. while she and her sisters were helping their cousin Miss Mary E. Yoder paint in her new house. She broke her glasses, cut her face, and broke her right arm a compound fracture. She was in the hospital from Tuesday till Sunday. She has her arm in a cast above the elbow and is coming along fine. Dr. expects to shorten her cast below the elbow February 21.

Community Note

Isaac Yoder had an accident with a chain saw, which kicked while he was bending over to saw billets. The saw jumped when it hit another chunk, and hit him in the face, sawing through his jaw and cutting his face. He was in the hospital from Wednesday morning to Friday noon. A few teeth had to be taken out, and his jaw is wired together. He is not to eat for 6 weeks.

Ashland County, Ohio - Community Notes

Quite a few small babies are sick this winter. Daniel U Grabers baby is in the hospital at present with pneumonia. Eli J. Bylers had their baby in the hospital a few days. Ammon A. Troyers baby had infection in the chest, some have croup and coughs and some run temperatures of as high as 105.

Guthrie, Kentucky - Community Note

Fannie, wife of John Peachey, suddenly got sick on January 22.

She had double vision and vomited. After seeing a doctor he sent her to the Madisonville Hospital. But after numerous tests (including a spinal tap and brain scan) Drs. are still puzzled as to the cause of it. She is now at home and slowly recuperating.

Ethridge, Tennessee - Community Note

Isaac, 5 year old son of Ura J. Gingerichs cut his hand while cutting meat which required 8 stitches.

Kokomo, Indiana - Community Note

January 16, Pre. Andy A. Herschberger had surgery on his right wrist to remove three deteriorated bones. It had been sore and swollen for quite some time and got worse fast the last 6 months. He's coming along fine now and has no more pain.

January 21, Bishop Noah Hochstedler was transferred to an

Indianapolis Hospital for further treatments.

Johnson County, Iowa - Funeral Attendance

A van load from here attended the funeral of Levi D. Miller, 29, of Canton, Minnesota on January 22, who was killed in a farm accident, leaving his companion and 3 small children.

Community Note

On January 24, many of the Amish here attended the funeral of George S. Bender, 80, he grew up in Oklahoma where many of us Oklahoma's came from, he passed away in Florida.

Our aged members are losing out slowly, Mrs. Enos (Annie) Yoder, 93, is mostly failing. Preacher (big) Chris Miller was in

church again Sunday, he is 92.

Ethridge, Tennessee - Community Note

Emory Miners sawmill at the end of Jake J. Gingerichs lane burned down. It is not exactly known what caused the fire. It started in a small tool storage room where a little wood heater was set up. The mill was operated by Jakes two oldest boys and two of Dan Gingerich boys.

**Community Note** 

Menno Hershberger had the misfortune of breaking a leg just above the knee he had replaced in Mexico this winter. He was placed in a full leg. Cast, hinged at the knee, in Shoitz Hospital, Waterloo. He is having around a weeks stay. Mail reaches them at R4, Independence, Iowa. 50644.

Seymour, Missouri - Senior Member Dies

Dave Yoder, 91, died January 3. No obituary. Correction from last month

Dover, Delaware - Death Breaks Matrimony of 66 Years.

Mary, the wife of John J. Yoder, proceeded him in death in June, 1979. It was her death that broke the 66 year span of matrimony.

Dover, Delaware - Community Note

Preacher Simon N. Swartzentruber had open heart surgery December 21st, at Jefferson Hospital, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. He is getting along fine and was able to attend church the last 2 times.

# BIRTHS

#### Conewango Valley, New York

Miller, Mose J. (Mary Miller) a son, Henry, Jan. 1. Hertzler, Amos J. (Rebecca Shetler) a son Aaron, Jan. 5. Hostetler, Mose J. (Iva Miller) a dau. Nancy, Jan. 12. Hostetler, Mose E. (Clara Troyer) a dau. Emma, Jan. 21. Miller, Alvin J. (Rebecca Miller) a dau. Edna, Jan. 22. Raber, Crist (Emma Miller) a dau. Anna, Jan. 25.

Clymer, New York

Wengerd, Atlee (Lovina Yoder) a son Rudy, Jan. 4.

Brush Valley, Pennsylvania

Stoltzfus, Benjamin B. (Fannie K. Stoltzfus) Madisonburg, a son Jacob Jan. 31.

Sugar Valley, Pennsylvania

Beiler, Samuel E. (Mary Zook), a son Amos Dec. 2, 1979.

County, Pennsylvania

Stoltzfus, Daniel Jr. (Sarah Stoltzfus Mill Hall, a dau. Priscilla, Dec. 27.

Stoltzfus, Elam B. (Katie), a dau. Naomi, Dec. 31.

## Lebanon County, Pennsylvania

Smoker, John B. (Lizzie Speicher) Myerstown, a son John, Jan. 4. Zook, Jonas L. (Sarah Lapp) #2 Myerstown, a stillborn dau., Jan. 7.

Lancaster County, Pennsylvania

Allgyer, Aaron (Malinda King) Gordonville, a dau. Susanne, Jan. 11.
Allgyer, Stephen (Rebecca Stoltzfus) #1 Gap, a dau. Jan. 27.
Beiler, Jacob (Emma Miller) #3 Quarryville, a dau. Jan. 22.

Esh, Ben F. (Barbara K. Glick) #1 Paradise, a son Jan. 18. Esh, Daniel S. (Annie H. Beiler) #2 Ronks, a dau. Jan. 12.

Fisher, Elam F. (Emma Lapp) #2 Ronks, a dau. Jan. 12. Fisher, Elam F. (Emma Lapp) #2 Ronks, a dau. Naomi, Jan. 2.

Fisher, Henry (Mary Beiler) Gordonville, a son Samuel Elvin, Jan. 25. Fisher, Leroy (Elizabeth S. Fisher) #3 Quarryville, a son Leroy Jr.,

Kauffman, Omar (Annie Esh) #2 Honeybrook, a son Daniel, Jan. 12.
King, Benjamin G. (Barbara K. Miller) #3 Quarryville, a dau. Anna, Jan. 3.

King, Benuel (Lavina Stoltzfus) Lititz, a dau. Priscilla, Jan. 3.

King, Christ L. (Rachel Lantz) #2 Ronks, a son Sylvan L., Jan. 10.

King, Daniel K. (Ruth Beiler) #3 Quarryville, a dau. Fannie B., Dec. 20.

King, Emanuel S. (Malinda S. Fisher) #1 Gordonville, a dau. Jan. 4.

King, Isaac (Mattie Stoltzfus) Gordonville, a sonLevi, Jan. 1.

King, John (Katie Beiler) #2 Paradise, a son John Jr., Jan. 3.

King, Joseph S. (Rebecca F. Stoltzfus) #1 Strasburg, a dau. Martha S., Jan. 26.

King, Samuel S. (Mary S. Allgyer) #1 Oxford, a dau. Susie A., Jan. 9. King, Stephen S. (Arie Stoltzfus) #1 Christiana, a dau. Rachel S., Jan.

Lapp, Aaron S. (Sarah Lapp) Gordonville, a dau. Mary, Jan. 5.

Riehl, John (Anna Ruth Blank) Lancaster, a dau. Marleva Sue, Jan. 22.

Smucker, Jacob (Barbara Stoltzfus) #3 Narvon, a son Michael, Jan. 16. Smucker, Jonas K. (Mary F. Stoltzfus) #1 Strasburg, a dau. Naomi, Jan. 18.

Stoltzfus, Abram F. (Katie Fisher) #1 Leola, a dau. Martha F., Jan. 2.
Stoltzfus, David F. (Elizabeth Stoltzfus) #1 Kinzers, a son David F. Jr., Jan. 10.

Stoltzfus, Elam (Mary Stoltzfus) Leola, a son Sylvan, Jan. 14.

Stoltzfus, Eli Jr. (Mary Riehl) #1 Bird-in-Hand, a son, Ivan R., Jan. 8. Stoltzfus, Emanuel (Emma Stoltzfus) #3 Honey Brook, a son, Benuel, Ian. 3.

Stoltzfus, Henry U. (Anna Stoltzfus) #2 Honey Brook, a son, Jan. 19.

Stoltzfus, Jacob (Sara Beiler) #1 Gap, a dau. Betsy, Jan. 16.

Stoltzfus, John (Elsie King) #1 Cochranville, a son Amos, Jan. 24. Stoltzfus, John B. (Lydia S. Glick) #2 Christiana, a dau. Susie, Jan. 7.

Stoltzfus, John M. (Lizzie S. Blank) #1 Bird-in-Hand, a son, Jan. 5.

Stoltzfus, Samuel (Malinda K. Beiler) #1 Gap, a dau. Mary Sue, Jan. 2. Stoltzfus, Steven M. (Lydia) #1 Gap, a dau. Sadie, Jan. 7. Yoder, Daniel B. (Annie B. Ebersol) #1 Kirkwood, a son, Jan. 18.

Zook, Amos Jr. (Rebecca Beiler) #1 Gap, a son John, Jan. 10.

Zook, Amos B. (Priscilla King) Lancaster, a dau. Mattie, Jan. 11.

## Dover, Delaware

Beachy, Daniel J. (Mary Ann Miller) #2 Dover, a son Chester, Jan. 30.
Byler, Henry A. Jr. (Saloma Miller) Clayton, a son Willis, Jan. 21.
Coblentz, Alvin J. (Bertha Yoder) #2 Dover, a dau. Polly, Jan. 12.
Miller, Harvey (Miriam Miller) #2 Dover, a stillborn dau., Jan. 2.
Miller, William W. (Sarah Ann Miller) #1 Wyoming, a dau. Verna Mae, Jan. 27.

Yoder, Herman E. (Sarah Mast) #1 Wyoming, a dau. Elizabeth Ann, Jan. 27.

St Marys County, Maryland

Esh, John F. Jr. (Edith Yoder) Mechanicsville, a son Moses, Jan. 30. Hertzler, Reuben (Sarah Hostetler) Mechanicsville, a dau. Lena, Jan. 20, died Jan. 20.

Kurtz, John (Veronica Yoder) Mechanicsville, a son Stephen, Jan. 29.
Stoltzfus, Aaron (Katie Yoder) Mechanicsville, a dau. Mary, Jan. 2.
Stoltzfus, Gideon (Hannah Hostetler) Charlotte Hall, a dau. Hannah, Jan. 3.

Stoltzfus, Tobe (Katie Hostetler) Mechanicsville, a dau. Lena, Jan. 3.

Franklin - Cumberland County, Penna.

King, Amos (Malinda King) RD Shippensburg, a dau. Susie, Jan. 17. Fisher, Gideon (Barbara Esch) #1 Newburg, a dau. Dorothy, Jan. 23. Stoltzfus, Mr. (Sarah Esh) Newburg a son Raymond

Somerset County, Penna.
Yoder, Edwin P. (Malinda Slabaugh) Grantsville, a son Clarence, Jan.

Mifflin County, Pennsylvania

Renno, John (Elsie Byler) Belleville, a dau. Hannah, Jan. 3. Swarey, John (Ruth Zook) Belleville, a son John, Jan. 16.

Adams County, Pennsylvania

Hostetler, Mose I. (Sarah F. Stoltzfus) #9 Gettysburg, a son Isaac, Jan. 10.

Southern Mercer County, Pennsylvania

Byler, Joe S. Jr. (Lydia A. Byler) #1 New Wilmington, a son Ben C., Jan. 5.

Byler, John N. (Barbara D. Hostetler) #1 New Wilmington, a dau. Susie, Jan. 14.

Byler, Rudy L. (Nancy B. Kurtz) #2 New Wilmington, a dau. Sarah, Jan. 20.

Byler, Rudy M. (Annie A. Byler) #1 Volant, a son David, Jan. 10.

Byler, Seth J. (Lizzieann J. Yoder) #1 Volant, a dau. Mary Ann, Jan. 9.

Hostetler, Menno Y. (Lena J. Hostetler) #1 Mercer, a dau. Elsie, Jan. 29.

Petersheim, William N. (Lizzie A. Byler) #1 New Wilmington, a dau. Fannie, Jan. 3.

Miller, John N. (Mattie B. Shetler) #3 Volant, a dau. Iva, Jan.

Mercer County, Pennsylvania

Byler, Andv B. A. (Martha Byler) a dau. Esther, Jan. 13.

Wayne County, Ohio

Yoder, Leroy E. (Carol Miller) #1 Dundee, a dau. Ina, Jan. 15.

Holmes County, Ohio

Erb, Dan R. (Ada Yoder)#1 Baltic, a dau. Susan, Jan. 2. Erb, Emanuel A. (Edna N. Raber) a son David, Jan. 17.

Mast, David A. (Edna Hershberger) #5 Millersburg, a son Anthony
Daniel, Oct. 27

Miller, Amos (Mary E. Hershberger) #1 Big Prairie, a son Andy, Jan.

Miller, Aden B. (Ella Troyer) a son Benjamin, Jan. 16.

Miller, Firman (Ruth Ann Raber) #5 Millersburg, a dau. Prescilla, Jan. 15.

Miller, Melvin (Mary Coblentz) Millersburg, a son Marcus, Jan. 21.

Raber, Atlee (Ella Miller) #6 Millersburg, a son Daniel, Dec. 14. Raber, Erwin L. (Ella Miller) #3 Millersburg, a son, Jan. 28.

Yoder, Mr. and Mrs. Atlee C. #3 Millersburg, a son Leon, Jan. 24. Raber, Roy L. (Mary Miller) #5 Millersburg, a son Robert, Jan. 21.

Raber, Roy L. (Mary Miller) #5 Millersburg, a son Robert, Jan. 21. Schlabach, Alvin H. (Lucinda Yoder) #1 Sugarcreek, a son Amos, Jan.

Schmucker, Ervin E. (Verna Yoder) #1 Sugarcreek, a dau. Esther, Jan. 18.

Troyer, Abe A. (Erma Miller) #3 Millersburg, a dau. Anna, Jan. 23.

Troyer, David L. (Amanda L. Weaver) a dau. Fannie, Dec. 23.

Wengerd, Henry M. (Betty Schlabach) #2 Millersburg, a dau. Rachel, Jan. 19.

Yoder, Andy A. (Dena Miller) #1 Sugarcreek, a son, Dec. 31. Yoder, Eli C. (Mary Yoder) #3 Millersburg, a son David, Jan. 8.

Yoder, Phenis S. (Barbara Yoder) #2 Millersburg, a dau. Cristena, Jan. 1.

#### Frederickstown, Ohio

Brenneman, Jonas M. (Salina Kinsinger) a son Henry, Dec. 28. Fisher, Allen (Elizabeth Mullet) a son Eli, Jan. 18. Miller, Roy (Susan Keim) a dau. Katie, Jan. 20.

#### Allen County, Indiana

Lengacher, Albert (Marie Eicher), a son Christian, Dec. 25. Schmucker, Ben (Barbara Schmucker) a son Aaron, Jan. 25. Schmucker, Jonas (Barbara Schwartz) a son Marcus, Jan. 21. Zehr, Menno (Mary Ann Brandenberger) a son Menno Jr., Jan. 24.

## Adams County, Indiana

Byler, Reuben (Delilah A. L. Schwartz) a dau. Delilah, Dec. Christner, Ben C. (Josephine T. Schwartz) a son Alvin, Dec. Christner, Jacob J. (Mary A. Eicher) a dau. Rebecca Jan. 3. Christner, Rudy C. (Elizabeth B. Girod) a dau. Melinda, Jan. 23. Eicher, Andy R. (Delilah B. Schwartz) a dau. Ruby, Jan. 21. Eicher, Joe R. (Ida V. Eicher) a son Joseph, Jan. 3. Girod, Amos M. (Elizabeth Schwartz) a son, Jan. 19. Girod, Sam J. (Rosa F. Schwartz) a dau. Josephine. Jan. 8.

Girod, Samuel M. (Barbara Wengerd) a dau. Mary, Dec. 30
Hilty, Reuben R. (Bertha J. M. Schwartz) a son Reuben, Jan. 13.
Schwartz, Elmer L. (Ida Yoder) a dau. Ida, Jan. 20.
Schwartz, Danny U. (Mary A. J. Eicher) a son Amos, Jan. 21.
Schwartz, Joe L. (Lena F. Schwartz) a dau. Lovina, Dec. 23.
Schwartz, William R. (Fannie E. Schwartz) a son, Dec. 21.
Schwartz, Marvin A. (Irene Eicher) a son William, Jan. 14.
Wickey, Jerry J. (Anna Weaver) #6 Decatur, a stillborn dau. Jan. 27.

Nappanee, Indiana

Miller, Delbert (Anna Laura Miller) a dau. Wanda Kay, Jan. 16. Miller, Fred (Leona Miller) a son Timothy, Jan. 26. Schmucker, Lamar (Lois Miller) a son Lynn Ray, Jan. 11. Troyer, Dennis (Dorothy Helmuth) a dau. Rose Ann, Dec. 3.

**Daviess County, Indiana** 

Graber, Marvin (Carolyn Marner) Loogootee, a son Jason Lamar, Jan. 24.

Knepp, David (Anna Mae Knepp) Montgomery, a son Vernon, Jan. 23. Stoll, Verlin (Mary Lou Wagler) Montgomery, a son Kenneth, Jan.

#### Kokomo, Indiana

Otto, Daniel (Martha Hostetler) a dau. Berneice Jo, Dec. 7.

Lovington, Illinois

Gingerich, Melvin (Katie Miller) Arthur, a dau. Barbara, Jan. 2. Yoder, Eli (Anna Marie Plank) Arcola, a dau. Leah, Jan. 20.

Audrain County, Missouri

Borntrager, George (Amanda Yoder) Clark, a dau. Clara, Dec. 25.

**Bowling Green, Missouri** 

Mast, Toby (Verna Marner) a dau. Katie, Jan. 30. Schwartz, Samuel L. (Lavina Hershberger) a dau. Rosa, Jan. 25.

Seymour, Webster County, Missouri

Schwartz, Dave W. (Amelia Yoder) a son Aaron, Jan. 23. Schwartz, Joe P. (Margaret Miller) a dau. Rebecca, Jan. 14.

Jamesport, Missouri

Bontrager, Menno L. (Lydia Yoder) a dau. Leta Irene, Jan. 2. Mast, Alvin Jr. (Emma Yoder) a dau. Rosanna, Jan. 19. Yoder, Ab L. (Elsie Beechy) a son Lester, Jan. 22.

Ethridge, Tennessee

Gingerich, David (Amelia Hostetler) a son Daniel, Jan. 10.

Johnson County, Iowa

Bender, Perry (Verna Yoder) a son Samuel Ray, Jan. 20.

Buchanan County, Iowa

Beechy, David (Martha Yoder) Hazelton, a dau. Sarah, Jan. 13. Nisly, Dan (Elmina Schmucker) Hazelton, a son Raymond, Jan. 21.

Utica, Minnesota

Schwartz, Daniel M. (Susan Yoder) a son Menno, Jan. 1.

Blair, Wisconsin

Bontrager, Alva (Malinda Mast) a dau. Rachel, Dec. 2.

Cashton, Wisconsin

Schmucker, Chris (Catherine Miller) a stillborn dau. Jan. 26.

Bronson, Michigan

Miller, Samuel (Mary Hershberger) a dau. Miriam, Jan. 8.

Centreville, Michigan

Bontrager, William E. (Rosanna Miller) #1 Centreville, a dau. Polly Mae, Dec. 1.

Bontrager, William L. (Dena Sue Yoder) #1 Centreville, a son Simon, Nov. 29.

Norwich, Ontario

Miller, Levi J. (Lydia M. Miller) #1 Mt. Elgin, a dau. Barbara, Jan. 16. Shetler, Mose D. (Sarah L. Miller) #7 Tillsonburg, a dau. Ella, Jan. 12.

Grey County, Ontario

Weaver, Emery J. (Katie Miller) a son Moses, Jan. 10.

St. Marys, Ontario

Graber, David (Erma Yoder) #4, a dau. Rachel, Jan. 20. Hochstetler, Martin (Anna Mary Yoder) #4, a dau. Kathryn, Jan. 21.

# **BAPTISMS**

Nappanee, Indiana

Dec. 30, by Bishop Henry J. S. Yoder Rosellen, dau. of Marvin Slabaugh. Henry, son of Omar Hochstetler.

Audrian County, Missouri

Jan. 13, by Bishop Jonas S. Bontrager. Chrissie, son of Noah and Lydia (Schrock) Gingerich.

# **MARRIAGES**

## Center County [Brush Valley], Pennsylvania

Fisher, Zook - Sam, son of Levi and Rachel (Miller) Fisher to Miriam, dau. of Melvin and Lizzie (Miller) Zook, Dec. 6, by Jonas Ebersol.

#### Nittany Valley, Pennsylvania

Beiler, Fisher - Aaron, son of Pre. Elam Beilers of Montour County to Bertha, daughter of Levi Fishers, Dec. 18. This was the first wedding to be held in Nittany Valley.

Dover, Delaware

Yoder, Miller - Levi Jr., son of Levi E. and Anna Yoder to Edna, daughter of Andy J. D. and Lydia Miller, Jan. 3, by Bishop Andy H. Mast.

Miller, Byler - Adam, son of Adam E. and Lizzie Miller to Emma daughter of Preacher Joe G. and Barbara Byler, January 17, by Bishop Leroy J. Yoder.

Southern Mercer County, Pennsylvania

Byler, Mast - Andy S., son of Pre. Stephen J. and Bena J. (Byler) Byler to Lizzie, daughter of David E. and Mary D. (Mast) Mast, Jan. 3, 1980, by Andy J. Byler.

Byler, Mast - Chris A., son of Andy C. and Katie E. (Kurtz) Byler to Lizzie, daughter of Bishop Jacob J. and Leah Y. (Byler)

Mast Jan. 10, 1980, by Andy J. Byler.

Byler, Wengerd - Levi A., son of Andy W. and Clara (Shetler) Byler to Sarah, daughter of Deacon Rudy M. and Lizzie D. (Byler) Wengerd, Jan. 17, 1980, by Emanuel Shetler, Conewango Valley, New York.

#### Ashland County, Ohio

Troyer, Miller - Abe Jr., son of Abe J. and Alma (Hershberger) Troyer to Cora, daughter of Christ S. and Elizabeth (Troyer) Miller.

Adams County, Indiana

Schwartz, Girod - Joe N., son of Mr. and Mrs. Noah R. Schwartz, #1 Monroe, and Susie M., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Menno Girod, #1 Monroe, Jan. 13.

Nappanee, Indiana

Hochstetler, Slabaugh - Henry, son of Omar and Wilma (Hochstetler) Hochstetler and Rosellen, daughter of Marvin and Betty (Hochstetler) Slabaugh on Jan. 10, by Bishop Lonnie Slabaugh.

Daviess County, Indiana

Wittmer, Knepp - John, son of Ben and Edith (Graber) Wittmer to Susie, daughter of Albert and Lydia (Schrock) Knepp, Jan. 20, by Bishop Fred W. Knepp.

Ethridge, Tennessee

Byler, Gingerich - David N., son of Mr. and Mrs. Nevin Bylers, to Susie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ura P. Gingerich, Jan. 10.

Troyer, Yoder - Mose E., son of Mr. and Mrs. Eli M. Troyer to Annie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gid A. Yoders, Jan. 31.

Yoder, Byler - Dan M., son of Mr. and Mrs. Mose D. Yoder to Lizzie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nevin Byler, Jan. 17.

Yoder, Troyer - Joni M., son of Mr. and Mrs. Mose D. Yoder to Mary, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eli M. Troyer, Jan. 24.

Jamesport, Missouri

Kramer, Gingerich - Wayne, son of Abe and Annie (Glick)

Kramer to Lena, daughter of Joe C. and Lydia (Detweiler) Gingerich, by the bride's grandfather, Tobe Detweiler, Jan. 10.

# **ORDINATIONS**

Beebe - McRea, Arkansas Lester F. Graber, 21, Beebe, was ordained minister, November 1979, by Bishop Ura Yoder.

# **OBITUARIES**

Barkman, David D., 76, Baltic

died Monday afternoon in his home, following a lengthy illness. He was born in Holmes County, a son of the late Daniel P. and Anna (Troyer) Barkman. He was a retired farmer and a member of the Old Order Amish Church.

Surviving are his wife, Anna (Miller) Barkman; 1 daughter, Mrs. Eli D. (Suvilla) Miller of R4, Millersburg; 2 son, Alvin D., R3 Fresno and Menno D., at home; 1 sister, Mrs. Noah M. (Amanda) Miller, R3 Fresno; 21 grandchildren. He was preceded in death by a son, a sister and 2 brothers.

Funeral services were held Thursday, at 9 A. M. in the residence with Bishop John J. C. Yoder officiating. Burial at the Miller Cemetery, Clark Township.

Beachy, Lester, 6, Hazelton, Iowa

died instantly after being struck by a milk truck on the way to school (see page 2). He was the son of Ray and Ada (Nisley) Beachy, who survive.

Also surviving are these grandparents: Benj. and Lizzie Beachy, and step-grandmother is Malinda Nisley, widow of Bishop John

Nisley.

Funeral services were held at Joe O. Gingerichs in the shop, in the house by Bishop Eli Bontreger and Eli A. Bontreger (Utica).

Beiler, Elizabeth S., 1 year, 10 months, 7 days, Strasburg

died January 15, at 9:00 A. M. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel E. and Mary B. Smucker Beiler. She died after being

struck by a milk truck. See page 2.

In addition to her parents she is survived by four brothers: Leroy M., Samuel E., Jonathan Z., and Jay Crist, all at home. She is also survived by paternal grandparents, Jonathan Z. and Barbara S. Esh Beiler; maternal grandparents Leroy S. and Elizabeth L. Beiler Smucker; great-grandmothers, Mrs. Annie E. Esh and Mrs. Lydia G. Smucker, both of Gordonville R1, and Great-grandparents; Samuel U. and Katie L. Lapp Beiler, of Gap R1.

Funeral services were held at the Samuel Beiler home, January 17, 1980, at 9:00 A. M. Anfang by Abner Smucker, Main part by David King. Lied read by Elam Beiler at the home. Leid read at the graveyard by Daniel Fisher, Abshied by Christ Miller. Burial at Bunker Hill Cemetery.

Beiler, Lydia, 87, Kinzers

died unexpectedly at her home at 4:15 Wednesday morning. She was a member of the Old Order Amish Church. Born in Leacock Township, she was a daughter of the late Isaac Z. and Hannah Zook Smoker. She was the widow of Josiah L. Beiler. She is survived by six sons and daughters: Hannah, wife of David S. King, Paradise R1; Elmer S., New Holland R2; Miriam, wife of Tobias S. King, Kinzers R1; Annie, at home; Isaac A. and Josiah L. Jr., both of Kinzers R1. Also surviving are 27 grandchildren; 43 great-grandchildren; three brothers, Samuel Z. Smoker, Gap R1, and Isaac Z. Smoker and Elmer Smoker, both of Intercourse, and three sisters, Mrs. Savilla Kauffman, Kinzers; Barbara, wife of Eli K. Kauffman, Denver R2, and Malinda, wife of Peter J. Miller, Paradise R1.

Funeral services were held on February 1, 12:00 noon. Burial at Gordonville Cemetery.

Byler, Lydia K., 63, Enon Valley, Penna.

died January 26, 1980, age 63 years, 1 months and 19 days. She

was married to John E. Byler of Enon Valley, Pennsylvania Leaves her husband and 6 children. Eli, at home, Lizzie Ann married to Jacob I. Schwartz, of Indiana; Mary, married to Alpha Speicher; Katie married to Eli M. Byler; John and Ben. A son Dan died at age 2 years. Also leaves a number of grandchildren, 2 sisters, 3 brothers. Mrs. Dan L. (Katie) Byler; Mrs. David E. (Mary) Byler, New Wilmington, Pa.; Dan Y. Byler, Mechanicsville, Maryland; Chris Y. Byler, Middlefield. Ohio; Eli Y. Byler, New Wilmington, Pa.; 1 uncle, Valentine K. Byler, New Wilmington, R2, Pa.

Beiler, Rebecca S., 81, Lancaster

died at 4:45 P. M., Sunday, January 27, at her home following an illness of four weeks. She was the wife of David B. Beiler. She was born in Leacock Township, a daughter of the late Christ L. and Rebecca Smoker King. She was a member of the Old Order Amish Church.

Surviving besides her husband are these children: Malinda K., wife of John Zook, Kinzer R1, Daniel K., Millersburg R3, Ohio, Eli K., New Holland R3, Elam K., Coatesville R6, Rebecca K., wife of Daniel Kanagy, Belleville R1, David K., Narvon R2 and Elmer K. Beiler, at home; 53 grandchildren; 42 great-grandchildren; and a sister, Fannie K. Stoltzfus, Ronks RD.

Funeral services were held on Tuesday, January 29, at 9:00 A. M. Anfang by Bishop David S. Blank, Main part by Stephen E. Stoltzfus. Lied read by Eli Stoltzfus. Abshied by Daniel Z.

Stoltzfus.

Byler, Mose I., Enon Valley, Pennsylvania

died January 24, 1980. Age 64 years, 19 days. Born January 5, 1916. He leaves his wife Meriam and 5 children. Leah married to Joseph Hostetler, Isaac married Sarah Weaver; Eli married Katie J. Byler; David married Sarah Hostetler and Lizzie married Menno Y. Hostetler; grandchildren, a sister Naomi, wife of David A. Kurtz of New Wilmington, Pa. Also his aged father Isaac Y. Byler, of New Wilmington, Pa.

Fisher, Jacob L. died December 31.

Funeral services were held at Mose D. Stoltzfus home. Anfang by Omar F. Glick. Main sermon by Ike Blank. Hymn by Jacob B. Stoltzfus. In graveyard hymn read by Aaron J. Stoltzfus. Abshied by John Allgyer. Burial in Millwood Cemetery. Pallbearers were Jacob L. Fisher, Jacob B. Zook Jr., Jacob Blank and Jake Fisher.

Gascho, Noah, Aylmer, Ontario

died from a heart attact. Noah and his wife, Nancy, were both born in the Wellesesly, Ontario area. The lived at Aylmer for almost 27 years. All of their five children live at Aylmer.

The people who have lived here will remember Noah as a small man with a soft voice and a big determination to do what was

rignt.

Hershberger, Sam A., 62, Dundee R2, Ohio

died on the way to Pomerene Memorial Hospital at Millersburg after suffering an apparent heart attack in his home. He was an employee of Louisiana Pacific County at Winesburg and a member of the Old Order Amish Church. Born in Berlin Township he was a son of the late Andy J. and Susie (Mast) Hershberger.

Surviving are his wife, the former Orpha Yoder; five daughters and two sons, Mrs. Wesley (Lizzie) Keim of Sugarcreek, Mrs. Delbert (Katie) Hershberger, Mrs. Mose A. (Edna) Miller, Mrs. Mahlon M. (Mary) Miller, Mrs. Alvin E. (Betty) Raber and Eli S. of Dundee R2 and Roman S. of Star Route, Millersburg; five sisters and seven brothers, Mrs. Mose L. (Mary) Yoder of R2, Sugarcreek, Mrs. Valentine (Mattie) Erb and John A. of R3, Mrs. Mose T. (Amanda) Yoder and Mrs. Sam (Lizzie) Erb of R4 and Eli A. of R5, all Millersburg, Mrs. John R. (Susan) Miller, Raymond A. and Henry A. of R2, Fredericksburg, Levi A. of R1, Baltic, Andy A. of Shreve and Ervin A. of Big Prairie; 20 grandchildren. A daughter and a sister are deceased.

Services were held Saturday at 9 a.m. in the Henry L. Weaver residence at R1 Dundee, with Bishop Mahlon Hostetler officiating. Burial was in Kline Cemetery in Berlin Township.

Hertzler, Lena, infant, Mechanicsville, Md.

died on January 20th, about 6 hours after birth in Leonardtown Hospital. She was a daughter of Reuben and Sarah (Hostetler) Hertzler.

Surviving are 4 sisters and 3 brothers. One sister, Rachel, preceded her in death through the fire when their house burned

down in Path Valley in 1971.

Funeral services were held January 21, at the home, by Jacob Stoltzfus. Burial in Hertzler Cemetery.

Keim, Jonas L., 76, Haven, Kansas

died Sunday, January 20, at Golden Plains Convalesent Center where he was taken to after being dismissed from the Hutchinson Hospital of a 10 weeks illness. He was found unconscious in his home, where he had been living alone, by a neighbor on November 13 and was taken to the Hutchinson Hospital by ambulance. He never fully recovered. He had surgery to remove a tumor in his throat. He was semi-conscious the last month. He was born July 16, 1903 to Leander S. and Mattie (Nissley) Keim at Haven, Kansas and married on December 2, 1924 to Lizzie Stutzman who died October 23, 1959. He was a member of the Old Order Amish Church.

Surviving are 5 sons and 2 daughters: Henry of Akron, Ohio; Alvin of Millersburg, Indiana; Junior of Elkhart, Indiana; Atlee of Haven, Kansas; Leander of Orland, Indiana; Ada (Mrs. Daniel M. Beachy) of Millersburg, Indiana; Emma (Mrs. Calvin Zehr) of Goshen, Indiana; and Clara Mae Keim of Sarasota, Florida; A brother Enos of Haven; 2 sisters: Anna Helmuth of Hutchinson and Emma Keim of Haven; 25 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held on Wednesday, January 23 at his son, Atlee Keim's residence by Bishop David E. Schrock and Minister Sam J. Yoder both from his home church and Minister Atlee Keim from Millersburg, Ohio. Pall bearers were Harry Wayne, Ray A. Bontrager, Glen L. Yoder and Robert Schrock Burial in the Amish Cemetery.

Nisley, Jonas M., 78, Apple Creek, Ohio

died Wednesday morning at his home at 94A Applecreek, Rt. 2, following a long illness. Born in Holmes County in 1901, the son of Noah and Mary (Yoder) Schlabach. He was the adopted son of Moses J. and Katie Schlabach Nisley. He made his home in Salt Creek Township, Wayne County, most of his life.

Also surviving are two brothers, Jerry Schlabach, Fredericksburg, R2; and Noah Schlabach, Plain City, Ohio. Two sister, Mrs. Dan (Lizzie) Hershberger of Apple Creek and Mrs. Mattie Chupp of Mt. Eaton, Ohio. One ster-sister, Mrs. Lovina Byler, New Wilmington, Pa.

Funeral services were neld Friday morning at his home by Bishop Dan L. Miller. Burial at the Rudy Yoder Cemetery.

Schmucker, infant, Cashton, Wisconsin

was stillborn on January 26. She was the daughter of Chris and Catherine (Miller) Schmucker.

Schwartz, John A., 63, Berne, Indiana

died January 23. He was a cancer victim and had suffered much pain but with patience he was a witness to hospital attendants.

Besides his wife Barbara, he is survived by the following children: Barbara, wife of Ed Hilty, Franklin, Ky.; John Jr., Berne, and Amos of LaGrange, Indiana.

Speicher, Ben, 20, Reedsville RD, Penna.

died at the breakfast table Monday morning, January 14. He had attended church services and the young folks hymn singing the day before. Death was due to a heart attack. He hadn't been well the last 3 or 4 years.

Funeral services were held on Tuesday, January 15. His age 20 years, 2 months and 3 days. He had an operation 3 years ago and they said that he was not good the last while. The funeral was in Big Valley.

Stoltzfus, Daniel L., 68, Narvon R1, Pennsylvania

died Tuesday, January 29 at 3 a.m. at Ephrata Community Hospital where he had been a patient since January 17. Born in Caernarvon Township, he was a son of the late Jonas E. and Emma (Lapp) Stoltzfus. He was a farmer and a member of the Old Order Amish Church.

In addition to his wife, Hannah (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus, he is survived by three sons: Jonas E., North Carolina; John S., with whom he resided; Daniel S., McVeytown; five daughters: Emma, wife of Benjamin S. Stoltzfus, Honey Brook R2; Susie, wife of David Smucker, Lykens R2; Lydia, wife of Levi R. Stoltzfus, Morgantown R1; Anna, wife of Benjamin K. Stoltzfus, Gordonville R1; and Lena, wife of David B. Kizd, Gap R1; 52 grandchildren, and one great-grandchild. He also is survived by five brothers:

Joshua L. Churchtown; Bishop Jacob M., Rebersburg, Jonas S., Honey Brook R2; John L., Honey Brook R1; and Christian E., Narvon R1 and two sisters, Mary L. Stoltzfus, Narvon R1 and Emma, wife of Enos Esh, Gordonville R1.

Funeral services were held on Thursday, January 31 at 9:00

a.m. at his late home. Burial in Mast's Cemetery.

Stoltzfus, Levi E., 85, Narvon R1, Pennsylvania

died Friday, January 4 at 1:20 a.m. at Ephrata Community Hospital where he had been a patient for one day. Born in Caernarvon Township, he was a son of the late Daniel M. and Mattie (Esh) Stoltzfus and was the husband of the late Susanna (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus, who died in 1975. He was a retired farmer and was a member of the Old Order Amish Church.

He is survived by one son, Daniel S., with whom he resided; six daughters: Mattie, wife of Samuel K. King, Ronks R2, Priscilla, wife of Benjamin Z. Stoltzfus, Honey Brook R1, Susie, wife of Samuel J. Stoltzfus, Katie, wife of Ben S. King and Miriam, wife of John E. King, all of Honey Brook R2, and Rebecca, wife of Samuel M. Stoltzfus, Narvon R1; 44 grandchildren; 118 great-grandchildren; and two sisters, Mrs. Sarah King, Narvon R1, and Mrs. Katie Stoltzfus, Lancaster.

Funeral services were held at his home on January 7 by Bishop Jacob M. Stoltzfus. Burial in Mast Cemetery.

Stoltzfus, Levina S., 85, Loganton #1, Pennsylvania

died Friday, January 4, at 7:15 p.m. in the home of her daughter, Mrs. John A. Kauffman, Loganton R1, Clinton County, with whom she had been residing the past six years. Born in Lancaster County on November 9, 1894, she was the daughter of the late Menno and Fannie (Lapp) Smoker and was married to Daniel E. Stoltzfus. She was a member of the Old Order Amish Church.

Surviving, besides her husband are two step-daughters, Katie, wife of Samuel M. Stoltzfus, Christiana R1, and Annie, wife of John A. Kauffman; 26 step-granchildren; a brother Elam M. Smoker of Intercourse, and a sister, Mrs. Emma Kauffman of

Funeral services were held at Levi Kauffmans, Sugar Valley, Pa. on January 7 by Abner King and Samuel Fisher, lied by Levi Beiler. Also on the following day servies were held at the Joe Lapp residence, Ronks, Pa. by Bishop John Beiler and Stephen Esh, lied by Deacon David S. Esh and at graveyard lied by Deacon John Lapp, abshied by John K. Stoltzfus. Burial in Gordonville Cemetery.

Wickey, infant daughter, Decatur R6, Indiana

was stillborn, January 27, to Jerry J. and Anna (Weaver) Wickey

Surviving besides the parents are three sisters: Anna, Rebecca, and Elizabeth; and two brothers, Atlee and Jacob all at home. Grandparents: Joseph R. Schwartz, and Mrs. Jacob D. Wickey.

Graveside services were held January 28 at the Schwartz Cemetery.

Yoder, Albert L., 78, Millersburg #4, Ohio

died January 16, at his home following a long illness. Born in Holmes County he was a son of the late Levi D. and Lizzie (Yoder) Yoder and was married to Katie Ann Raber, who survives.

Also surviving are a son, Eli, Millersburg #2; 3 daughters, Mrs. Andy A. (Amanda) Yoder; Mrs. Roman J. (Mary) Troyer of Millersburg R4 and Miss Susie Yoder of Sugarcreek R1; 2 brothers, Noah and Levi of Baltic R1; 20 grandchildren; and 16 great-grandchildren. Three sisters are deceased.

Funeral services were held Saturday, January 19 with Bishop

Floyd Troyer officiating. Burial in home cemetery.

Yoder, Andy M., R2, Ethridge, Tennessee

died December 24, after 11:00 P. M. at his home after a long illness with cancer. his age was 75 years, 11 months and 23 days.

He leaves his 2nd wife and daughter Mattie at home, and other married children.

Yoder, Dena, 69, Millersburg R5, Ohio

died Friday, at her home after suffering a heart attack. A life resident of Holmes County, she was a daughter of the late Joe and Mary (Erb) Keim and a member of the Old Order Amish. She married on December 17, 1931 to Obed Yoder who survives.

Also surviving are 3 daughters and four sons: Mrs. Jacob D. (Dora) Miller of Fredericksburg R2, Mrs. Eli (Mary) Coblentz, Mike, Henry and David of Millersburg R5, Mrs. David (Edna)

Beachy of Dundee R1 and Roy of the home; a sister and two brothers, Mrs. Eli J. (Amanda) Miller of Wooster R4, Henry Keim of Canton and Abe Keim of R1, Fredericksburg; 36 grandchildren; one great-grandchild. A brother and a grandchild are deceased.

Funeral services were held Sunday at 9 a.m. in the residence, by Pre. Simon R. Miller and Bishop Andy E. Wengerd at home. At Dan O. Yoder's home by Pre. Jacob S. Miller and Bishop Mahlon Hostetler. Burial was in Stutzman Cemetery in Salt Creek Township.

Yoder, Fannie, 61, R5, Millersburg, Ohio

died January 30, at Walnut Hills Nursing Home where she was admitted 1 week previously. She was the daughter of the late Henry J. and Mary Ann Yoder. She was a member of the Old Order Amish Church in Pinecraft, Sarasota, Florida.

Surviving are 2 sisters (Lizzie), wife of the late Sam M. Miller and Amanda R5 Millersburg, Ohio and 1 brother David H. Yoder, R2 Sugarcreek, Ohio. Her father, mother and 2 sisters preceded her in death.

Funeral services were held February 2, at the Pre. Joe M. Miller home by the ministers, Noah M. Schlabach and Willis Yoger of Sarasota, Florida.

Yoder, Lizzie M., 71, Sugarcreek R1, Ohio

died at her home on January 4, following a lingering illness. Born in Holmes County, she was a daughter of the late Mose C. and Katie (Miller) Yoder. Her husband, Raymond L. Yoder died in

Surviving are 4 daughters: Mrs. Ammon N. (Ida) Miller, Mrs. Jacob E. (Iva) Miller, Mrs. Meno N. (Katie) Miller, Mrs. Mahlon E. (Betty) Schmucker all of Sugarcreek; 4 sons: Amos of the home, Mose and Junior of Millersburg R4 and Delbert of LaGrange, Indiana; 2 step-daughters, Mrs. Mose L. (Maryann) Troyer, and Mrs. Roman É. (Ada) Miller of Sugarcreek R2; 2 stepsons: Levi and Dan both of Sugarcreek; 3 sisters, Mrs. V. A. (Sarah) Hershberger, Mrs. Dan J. D. (Mary) Miller and Mrs. Noah N. (Susan) Yoder; 4 brothers Eli, Mose, David, and Amos; 48 grandchildren and 5 great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by a daughter 2 sons and 3 brothers.

Funeral services were held Monday, January 7 with Bishop Melvin J. Miller officiating. Burial in Schlabach Cemetery, Clark

Township.

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#### CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS

Clymer, New York - Walter Troyer

January was mild for the first 3 weeks with thaws. The last week was cold with 0 degrees and windy. Women are quilting and men are cutting wood butchering and going to sales.

Dairy cows are still high with as high as \$1890. for top cows. Beef still holding good feeder pigs coming up slow.

Conewango Valley, New York - Moses D. Stutzman

January 14th and 18th was warmer and muddy. 15 days had a trace of snow with 6 inches by end of month. About 10 days from 5 to 15 degrees above zero and by the 31st it was 2 below in eve.

Lots of horses and cattle had flu with 1 or 2 horses dying.

January had a new record. Dairy cows only a few below \$1000. and 51 over a \$1000. and top was \$1890.00. Beef cows averaged 56 cents. Bulls 63 to 65 cents. Heifer-calves \$1.10 to 1.92 a lb. Veai \$1.00 to \$1.20, pigs cheap. Butcher hogs 39 to  $40^{1/2}$  cents.

#### Seneca Falls, New York - Mrs. Noah S. Byler

The month of December was changeable temperature ranging from 60 degrees on December 12 to 8 degrees above on December 17th and the ground covered with snow. But warmed up again and snow was all gone by Christmas Day and was milder the rest of December.

We had a mild January, until this week. Temperature dropped down in the teens and now this morning it is 5 degrees above which is the coldest blanket of a little over an inch of snow on the ground.

LeRaysville, Penna. - Mrs. Chester Yoder

We have had a mild winter so far. Jan. 1st was a warm and sunny day. Drizzling on the 2nd and on the 3rd it turned colder, which brought us snow flurries on the 4th. By the morn of the 6th the temperatures had dropped to 6 degrees above zero. Which was about our coldest so far this winter.

Warmer again on the 10th and 11th. Temperature dropped again on the 12th then on the 14th it warmed up again with temperature above freezing until the 19th. We had flurries off and on thereafter.

Montour County, Penna. - Amos K. Stoltzfus

January was a mostly clear month with only 2 or 3 inches of snow. The coldest was around 0 degrees. We had about a week or so of real nice and warm weather, which made it nice to lay blocks. Hauling manure was popular in January.

Centre County [Brush Valley] Penna. - David B. Stoltzfus

We have been having a mild winter compared to the last three years, at least until the last week of January, when it was quite windy with temperatures as low as 2 degrees. Especially mid-month, it was mild with the top 2 inches of the ground thawing, but it was still solid underneath. No plowing was done in January locally, as the new year brought colder weather than during December, and frequent light coverings of snow except the last few days of the month when the ground was completely bare.

Nittany Valley, Penna. - Henry M. Glick

January 1, was a mild and sunny day. It stayed that way till the 5th, had 1 inch of snow. The next day temperature was down to 5 degrees, the coldest of the month. Had a lot of mild and sunny days in January, and not much snow, a little rain. Children had ice skating on the pond all through the month.

Mill Hall, Centre County, Penna. - Mrs. Ben K. Fisher

The weather for December has been quite mild, with extremely warmer temperatures than expected for winter months. A delightful (perhaps) 2 inches snowfall surprized alot of us out here on the morn of the 19th. The latter part of December was more on the frosty side, with about a whole week of rainy, dreep and damp chill. By Christmas the snow was all gone with a heavy rain fall during the day. By eve only occasional sprinkles. Then December took flight on frosty, sparkling wings, of sunny, lovely days and moon and starlit nights.

There are still acres of corn (standing nicely) and waiting to be husked out here. The yields have been outstanding, I feel, for as

late as some got planted.

Leola [Bareville area], Penna. - Levi L. Stoltzfus

Rainfall for Bareville area in January was 1.1 inches.

Market report: Top choice cattle 70.00 - \$75.00 cwt.; feed cattle 58.00 - \$84.50 one load of out standing char. brought \$101.00 cwt.; Bulls 61.00 - \$73.00 cwt.; Vealers 104.00 - \$135.00 cwt.; Fat hog 38.00 - \$42.50 cwt.; 40 lb feeder pigs 40.00 - \$59.00 cwt.; Heavy fowl .15 -.30 each; pullets .43 -.45 lb.; capons .50 - .87 lb.; Ducks .69 lb.; Geese .45 - .72 lb.; Turkeys .65 lb.; Rabbits .75 -89 lb.; Guineas \$1.10 lb.; Pigeons \$1.90 pair; eggs .61 doz.; Potatoes retail at \$5.50 cwt.; Hay 40.00 - \$111.00 ton; straw 46.00 - \$72.00 ton; corn fodder 26.00 - \$46.00 ton; Ear corn 58.00 - \$75.00 ton; by the bu. 3.10 - \$2.90 bu.; wheat 4.40 - \$4.26 bu.; Barley \$2.25 bu.; oats \$1.80 bu.

Coatesville, [Chester County] Penna. - J. Elmer Lapp

The weather was unusually mild for January. Very little snow, on the 4th we had about 2 inches in the evening. On the 9th in the forenoon it snowed 4 inches. Low temperature was 6 degrees on the 10th. Outside of a few other days temperature was not under 20 degrees except the last 2 days of the month. Rainfall totaled 2.6 inches. Most of this was on the 11th and on the 18th some plowing was being done around the middle of January sod and stalks. It also very nice weather for hauling manure and cutting wood. This was also very nice weather for hauling manure and cutting wood.

This by the cord is now selling for \$90.00 to \$120.00 split, delivered and ranked.

St. Marys County, Maryland - Amos R. Stolizfus

January came in mild. It snowed about 7 inches the 4th and 5th. Rained the 11th, the 18th and again the 22nd in P. M. Coldest was 19 degrees on the 24th. Coldest for the winter was 18 degrees in December. We had plenty of nice weather. Some were plowing and there's plenty of building going on.

Dover, Delaware - Neil N. Hershberger

January in general was a mild month, both in temperature and percipitation, not much frost in the ground until the last week. Total rainfall was 3.9 in with 6 inches snow.

Low temperature was 10 degrees on the 6th with a high of 39 degrees on the 17th. Nearly all farmers are finished with corn shredding, and are cutting wood, many are selling wood, some bringing 50.00 a cord or more. Also some building being done while weather was mild.

A number of our people have been victim of battle thieves lately, stealing calves right out of the barn.

Franklin County, Penna. - Jacob E. Flaud

The first week of January was very warm. Then it got cold and we had some snow and ice. Very cold but sunny weather the last 2 weeks.

Meyersdale, Penna. - Mary A. Kinsinger

Our January weather has been quite mild towards a year ago. We had some snow over the 1st weekend in January and a high wind the 12th but no snow then. The last week though has had snow but only a nice covering of several inches. Not much zero weather as of yet but is down to 6 degree above this evening the 31st. Was hardly above 20 all day.

The men folks are hauling manure and working on the farms bought at the Greenville Township area. Women are sewing or

mostly so.

Delta [York County], Penna. - Andrew H. Beiler

We are having a very mild winter compared to last winter. We had enough of snow two different days to cover the ground. The lowest temperature was about 14 above zero. Also quite a few days that it was above 30 and several times up to 50. Some farmers were plowing several days. We also had some rainy days.

Southern Snyder County - Sam M. Troyer

It was an unusual month weather wise. I recorded less than an inch of snow and less than an inch of rain. Its a little hard on the wheat, freezing and thawing, of course it didn't thaw everyday. The coldest we had was 6 degrees above. One morning work in the woods has been going on steadily all month so that the price of wood products is down some, as more was produced than expected.

McClure [Snyder County], Penna. - John Y. Speicher

January had very little snow. Only enough to make the road slippery didn't have more than one half on an inch, at one time. Also some rain and fog, much cloudy weather. Not enough ice skating till the last half of the month. Not enough snow to get the sled out. Good weather to cut wood, haul manure, shred fodder, etc. Fodder is easier to get in this winter. Shocks are not froze fast to the ground in ice like last winter. Temperature for the month was a low of 0 degrees one morning and the highest was 30 degrees. January 14th it rained all day. Then the 15th was a beautiful day for January. The 23rd it was cold and windy.

Mifflin County, Penna. - Catherine M. Stoltzfus

January was a very mild month, many days were partly cloudy then cleared off and turned out to be a nice sunny day. Many days seemed spring like, but often when one was inside most of the day it was surprising how cold and sharp the air felt. Lowest temperature was 6 degrees. About 3 inches of snow January 5th and 1½ inches on January 25th but soon all melted. January 14th it rained a little and it was very icy, but it was all melted till eve.

Lots of butchering has been done.

The last week of January was colder with a skiff of snow the last day of the month. The ice is now thick enough to excite the children about skating.

Millersburg [Dauphin County], Penna. - Mrs. Benuel B. Fisher

January came in nice and sunny and it was a mild month. The 9th we had snow most of the day and around 30 degrees. In the afternoon the sun was shining through the falling snow. It got rolder toward evening and foggy that night. The next morning we

nad one of Gods most beautiful winter scenes, as each tree, bush, weed, etc. was covered with frost, but it soon warmed up. That was the coldest morning we had around 8 degrees. Had some snow throughout the month, but not more than a few inches. Temperature mostly around the freezing point.

Women are sewing besides the other winter chores. Men are

hauling manure, some are building.

Lebanon County, Penna. - Levi S. King

January was mostly on the mild side for the month with only about 1.2 inches of rain and about 3 inches of snow. The ground was mostly bare and not frozen very deep until the last few days. Some plowing was done the beginning of the month and was nice to haul manure most of the time. On January 8th the farrowing house at Jonas Zook (Isaac) burned out, burning over 30 sows and over 100 piglets. Presumeably caused by a faulty gas burner. Rebuilding was started the next day.

Gettysburg [Adams County], Penna. - Elizabeth A. Stoltzfus

The month of January was mild with 6 mornings with temperature below 20 degrees above zero. The coldest morn was on the 10th with temperature at 5 degrees above zero. Had a very cold period when it was stormy on the 24th, 25th and the two last days of the month with temperature in the teens. Had several days with a light snowfall with the most of the 4th when we had 3 inches. Was rainy on the 11th.

Farmers were busy hauling manure, cutting firewood and butchering beef and hog. Ponds are frozen so that those who love

skating can have an enjoyable time.

Southern Mercer County, Penna. - Mrs. E. H. Kurtz

January was a little more mild up until about the 24th when it started getting colder. Had 11 days sunshine, 11 cloudy days, 6 partly sunshine, 4 rainy days and 14 days snow flurries. So far only a light cover of snow. Lowest morning temperature were 2 mornings at 6 above on the 6th and 24th. High morning temperature was 40 on the 11th and 44 on the 17th high daytime reached 52 on the 11th with at low of 20 on the 24th. Beef prices are climbing up with cows from \$52.00 to \$60.00 per hundred, Steers \$55.00 to \$66.00 per hundred. Fat hogs mostly from \$34.00 to \$39.60 per hundred with a few at \$40.00. Feeder pigs ranged from \$11.00 to \$25.00 per hundred. Lambs up to \$79.00 per hundred.

Mercer County, Penna. - Dan J. Troyer

January was mostly cloudy and not much snow till the last week we got about 3 to 4 inches. New Years Day was foggy and cold enough to make the trees frosty. The coldest morning was 0 degrees on the 6th and 27th. Had an all day rain the 10th of about 21/2 inches. The 23rd we got enough snow to cover the ground with a little more every day since. Was also colder the last week mostly in the teens. The warmest was about 50 degrees of the 16th. A lot of sickness among cattle.

Crawford County, Penna. - Mrs. Menno Fisher

January was a mild month, compared to previous years. No blizzards, very little wind. We did not have much sunshine, especially the last half of the month. There was snow on the ground most of the month. A few farmers picked corn that was still standing in the fields. Otherwise the work is tending livestock and hauling manure. The young folks and scholars are having a great time at skating parties.

High temperature was 50 degrees. Lowest was 3 below zero.

Snowfall 15.9 inches. Precipitation 2.28.

Eastern Holmes County, Ohio - Raymond S. Weaver

January has been fairly mild compared to the 2 preceeding winters. We had some snow but was comparatively light. We even had one rainy day. Temperature was down to 5 degrees above with clear skies on the 26th. And from there to the end it was cold.

South Eastern Holmes County, Ohio - John L. Yoder

For our first month of 1980 we had nice winter weather. Not much snow and very few times below zero. Hauling manure, making firewood and attending sales is on the list for men folks. Some have started to plow.

Not much change in pig and hog prices. All cattle is selling at

good prices.

Holmes County, Ohio - John H. Yoder

The last few days of December and over New Years were beautiful days. Every twig and tree were frosty. It was a beautiful sight. The weather through January was changeable. Some nice

sunshiny days. On January 24th it snowed 3 inches. The ground was white ever since. At this writing a cold damp air with temperature from 9 degrees above to 50 degrees. Quite a bit of plowing has been done.

Western Tuscarawas County, Ohio - Jonas N. Borntrager

The New Year has given us lots of nice weather. Lots of mild winter weather mostly around 20 degrees. Had 2 above zero one morning that was our coldest so far. Very little snow and not much windy weather. Is very calm this morning. Had 20 days of sunshine in January. Also had some rain that the creek was out over the banks. Also over the road. I think most of the people are loaded with seed catalogs for another year. Seed corn salesmen are making there rounds trying to sell seed corn.

Hog prices are under \$.40 per pound. Good demand for milk cows, heifers and draft horses. Farmers have there manure mostly

Ashland County, Ohio - Ammon A. Troyer

January was real nice, the first part quite a bit of plowing was done, with some rain also some beautiful weather. The latter part it got colder with some snow, a few inches. Coldest for the month was 4 degrees above, today on February 2nd is a bright and clear morning. So if the ground hog wanders from his home this morning at 3 degrees above, it will be sure to see its shadow.

Allen County, Indiana - Mrs. John Schmucker

We had some nice winter weather for January. Although the latter part was more like winter with a little snow covering the ground. Had around 2 to 3 inches on 24th and 25th. Our coldest was zero on the 31st.

Kokomo, Indiana - Mrs. Ivan J. Gingerich

December weather was very mild with quite a bit of rain and foggy weather each week. There was often such a large change in temperature from a high of 54 degrees to 26 degrees in just three

or four hours. We had only two thin skiffs of snow.

The first two weeks in January remained mostly mild. The 4th we had such high winds that it rolled two empty buggys to the schoolhouse. The last two weeks were more cold and temperature was two degrees near zero about four times. We had a nice blanket of snow the 24th. But about half of it melted a few hours later.

Daviess County, Indiana - Elizabeth Mae Raber

January was mild compared to the last 2 winters. We had a lot of damp and cloudy days altho not much snow. Till this morning the 30th, we have snow on the ground and it is still snowing. We had some rain and also a few nice sunshiny days, about like spring. Highest temperature for the month was 61 degrees of the 11th, and the lowest was 14 degrees of the 23rd.

Lovington, Illinois - Henry R. Yoder

The month of January was considered extra mild. Very little rain and no snow to speak of till January 30th with an accumulation of about 4 inches.

There were no sub zero days in January. Coldest was 8 degrees above. The ground was open at one time that farmers were plowing. However most of the plowing was done in November and December, also in October.

The market took a sudden drop in grain. The drop was due to an embargo on grain being shipped to Russia. However the market has appreated some now but not up to the November and December prices.

Corn in January \$2.37 per bu. Soybeans \$6.28 and wheat around \$4.00. During the day the market became stronger. Livestock markets were steady too, but some stronger.

Guthrie, Kentucky - Jesse D. Peachey

We had favorable weather during January. No frost in ground to speak of. Not very much rain either, enabling the farmers to get their manure hauled, etc. One was even plowing this week, but the tune changed on the 28th, when we woke up to a freezing rain and sleet. It snowed a little that eve and this morning (February 1st). The temperature is 10 above, our coldest for the winter. Corn 2.50, beans 6.30, hogs 36.75.

Marion, Kentucky - Samuel Hertzler

It is said 5 moon changes in one month brings turbulant weather. So far it has been the opposite. January has been very mild. Until the 29th we did not have below 20 degrees, and warm enough to thaw some everyday. If it had froze during the night. On the 29th we had 16 degrees, and on the 30th about 4 inches of

A year ago there was a heavy crop of acorns and hickory nucs. That is supposed to be an indication of a hard winger, and it was. This year acorns and hickory nuts were a poor crop and the year mild so far. I do not know if that is a good gauge as a whole, or if it is just an old wives saying.

Ethridge, Tennessee - Moses J. Gingerich

January was very mild and wet up to the last two days, which brought quite a bit of sleet and ice and also cold on the 31st

Farmers have been trying to get caught on ordinary winter work, such as woodcutting, fencing and general repair work.

Pleasantville, Tennessee [Perry County] - Ruth J. Miller

The month of January began very mild and beautiful but the last few days ended sorta rough and really its the first real winter weather we've had. On the 2nd of January it was 42 degrees on the 3rd the temperature went down to 38 degrees. From the 16th to the 19th it was around 58 degrees to 60 degrees with spring-like weather, we didn't have very much rain though, but many cloudy days. On the night of the 29th and the day of the 30th the temperature was down to 25 and 26 degrees with sleet and rain, which brought a thin layer of ice. Anyway cold seems nice for a change. Altho it probably sounds strange to hear someone talk like this. But we sure did enjoy those beautiful January days.

Some people are gathering maple syrup and also hauling manure. I imagine with intentions to plow before too long.

LaPlata, Missouri - Mrs. Mose M. Borntreger

The month of December was unusually nice on the average. Temperature ranges were from 6 degrees to 50 degrees in early mornings, to 30 degrees and 50 degrees during the day mostly. On the 17th was our coldest morning with 4 above zero. About half an inch of rain towards the last of December and beings we were gone during that time to visit his folks in Wilton, Wisconsin, I didn't get weather reports of the last week.

January was also unusually mild especially the first 4 weeks, temperature were 26 degrees on the average. In the early mornings, highest during the day was in the 30's and 40's. Very little snow so far, it snowed some the 21st and 22nd, barely enough to whiten the ground. The 27th we got about enough to track a rabbit. On the night of the 15th we got around ½ inch of rain.

Fat hogs are 36 to 37 cents a lb. Some flu is going around. Another layer of snow on the night of January 30th.

Seymour, Missouri [Webster County] - Menno D. Schwartz

The first month of 1980 is gone, it was a nice winter month with hardly any snow. Temperature very seldom under 20 degrees. So far a easy month on fuel. A little coat of snow right now, ½ inch.

About the only crops so far, is still piggies, little rabbits, calves,

etc. The weather is also easier on the hay.

Seems like there is a colic season the way the vet said. We had some trouble. Butchering is a weekly job from family to family. We butchered 53 ducks, instead of hogs this winter.

Hogs still in the 36 dollar range, pigs going up some. Cattle good

prices. Corn costing us hauling in for 2.85 per bu.

I don't know what the weather has to do about it, but the 2 big hospitals in Springfield are both full to the brim. I needed an operation on my hip, the first date to get in was about 4 weeks off. I didn't want to worry that long.

Jamesport, Missouri - Amos W. Yoder

Some farmers were plowing yet the first part of January, as we had an unusually open and mild winter, till the 27th it snowed enough to cover the ground for the first time, and the 30th again about 6 inches. This morning (the 31st) it is 10 below zero, which is the coldest for this winter. Saturday, the 26th, 55 young men and boys had a coyote drive, four coyetes were shot. The skins of which are worth about \$30.00 each.

Windsor, Missouri - Mrs. Monroe Hershberger

New Years Day was especially nice and warm, then the sun didn't shine much for 9 days, altho it wasn't cold, either. Since the 12th we've had alot of 50 and 60 degrees temperatures. A lot of outside work was done, including some plowing. Temperature has dropped and we now have a nice blanket of snow. Temperature was 4 above zero this morning (the 31st). The coldest we've had all winter. More building and remodeling is being done among our group.

Anabel, Missouri - Abe Y. Borntreger

January was a mild dry month. Many mornings in the 32 to 28 degrees range. Plowing was done the fore part of the month. Our

first tracking snow was the 4th. A freezing rain the 19th. Four inches of snow the 30th. We had 6 degrees above on the 8th and 8 below zero on the 31st. Our coldest for this winter. Nature predicts for February to have more snow and colder weather then January did.

Bowling Green, Missouri [Pike County] - Jacob A. Mast

January was a very mild month. We had some rain the 6th and 13th. Our first snow of the winter that stayed came of the 30th, about 6 inches deep. Temperature dropped to 3 below on the 31st. We had many days in January with no ice on ponds, no ice has been put up, but expect if the ponds will be cleared off now it will get thick. This morning (February 1st) the temperature dropped to 14 below.

Audrian County, Clark, Missouri - Samuel D. Beachy

The past month was mild for January at times through the middle of the month there wasn't ice available to make ice cream, and too soft to haul manure, etc. We also had some damp and foggy weather. On the 30th we had the first snow that amounted to much, and then 6 degrees below zero on the 31st. The first of the month it was also frozen, that it was in favor for barn cleaning. Wood cutting and butchering was among the main work for men.

Marshfield, Missouri - Ruben Yoder

The first week of the new year was mostly around 30 degrees. Then it warmed up and went above 60 degrees several times, it was warm enough that the grass turned green again. The last 10 days were colder again, especially the last 5 ending with a chilly 2 degrees and several inches of snow.

Reno County [Partridge area], Kansas - Edward A. Mast

January has been a lot milder than the last few years. Perhaps even warmer than average. The last five days had a steady temperature of between 10 and 20 degrees and some snow.

We had about 11/2 inches of rain over the third weekend. It was

good for the late planted wheat. Very little ice skating.

Garnett, Kansas - Edward H. Yoder

January had very mild temperatures close to 70 degrees was the highest. The latter part however was colder with light snow and a little rain. Temperatures low around zero a few mornings. Seems to be plenty of hay the hay feeding has been at a minimum.

Haven, Kansas - Enos E. Schrock

January was a mild month. It was up to 64 degrees one day. Last few days were colder being down to 6 degrees above on Sunday morning. Had some snow but not much. It is so different then it was a year ago in January.

Mrs. D. K. (Mary) Bontrager, age 85, had a cataract eye

operation on the last day of January.

Some colds and upset stomach among school children. A lovely morning sun is shining bright (February 1, 1980). Already one month of 1980 gone. February has 29 days again this year, so we gain an extra day.

Johnson County, Iowa - Eli S. Beiler

Weather seems to be a little more winter like the last several days with temperatures around the zero mark. We had about 2 degrees below this morning, but was real nice and sunshiny. We've just had several light snows, barely enough to track a rabbit.

Buchanan County, Iowa - Joe C. Yoder

January was a fair winter month. The first half of the month was on the milder side, with temperature in the 20th in the daytime. The last of the month more cold. We had 8 zero mornings and below zero the 9th and 31st. With a 10 below a few light snows. A couple inches on the night of the 30th.

Barn cleaning, also butchering and shop work is the work among

the men. Quilting for the woman folks.

Utica, Minnesota - Atlee J. Shetler

We had a real mild winter up to the 21st. The first part of January was quite changeable. We got a layer of snow and turned much colder since the 21st. Mostly zero and down to 10 to 15 degrees below zero. The 1st part we had some frosty days which made a beautiful scenery. During the day we got some nice sunshine.

Cashton, Wisconsin - Joe C. Borntreger

The weather for January has been very changeable, from 10

degrees below zero to a real January thaw for a few days, we now have enough snow for sledding on the fields. We also had rain one day.

#### Blair, Wisconsin - Mrs. Moses S. Miller

December was warmer than November had been with not as much snow. Had a few light snows but were soon gone. The first below zero was the 16th, windy with 4 degrees below

It warmed up the 17th and for a week it was mild and sunny. The week of Christmas were mostly cloudy, foggy and frosty mornings. The 29th was the most beautiful of all. Every twig on

the trees were very thick with frost.

January was mild the first week. The 6th it snowed all day. The 7th was windy drifting the snow. (No school.) The 9th was the coldest of the month, it was 24 degrees below. The 15th was warmer with rain and ice. An all day's rain the 16th, melting a lot of the snow, leaving icy yards. The last 2 weeks were mostly below zero in the morning warming up in daytime. Some days were nice and sunny

Chetek, Wisconsin - Henry Lehman

Our December weather was very mild with very little snow. January was mild with little snow the first 2 weeks. Since that we had rain and a lot of ice which caused some problems at times. The weather turned colder the 11th and had a real blizzard with a strong wind. No school that day. It warmed up again and had rain and ice and again some snow. The week of the 20th it was colder

weather. We also have 6 to 8 inches of snow at present. The coldest for the season was 28 degrees below but it didn't last long.

Wilton, Wisconsin - Jacob R. Hochstetler

The first half of January was above normal in temperature. We had around 2 inches of rain the 15th and 16th. Ground was frozen so the water mostly ran off. We had cold weather right after the rains so there was a lot of ice. It got cold the 22nd. The temperature was mostly zero or below since several mornings with 10 degrees below zero. We have around 5 inches of snow on the level. The snow plows aren't busy like they were last year.

Bronson, Michigan - Ora A. Graber

The winter is half past, and it seems we didn't have any winter yet to speak of. The weather for this month was probably the most mild in my memory. Only a few inches of snow, no below zero temperatures and no blizzard type winds. Through the 30's I remember plowing the latter of January. But the 1st part was blizzard type snows.

Corn prices have dropped considerably as account of the embargo, put on Russia. These cash crop farmers who had a hard time making ends meet, find the ends aren't meeting, and on top of it all the fertilizer prices for this spring have taken a sharp rise in prices, so that it will be probably only be a mather of time till some

farms will be sold on the auction bloc for taxes.

Norwich, Ontario - Levi D. Stutzman

The ground was hare the 1st week of January. We got a blanket of snow the 6th which stayed until the 11th when we got a strong south wind with heavy rain. The next day it turned colder going down to 9 degrees. The 3rd week was warm and muddy. By the 22nd we had a thin blanket of snow again and was cold the rest of the month. Our coldest was 3 degrees above.

Grey County, Ontario, Canada - Jacob Hershberger

January was milder then usual. The ground frozen and no snow to speak of mostly in the 30's till 23rd we had a snow storm of around 8 inches and turned colder on the 24th. The coldest temperature for this month was 6 degrees above. Some were just waiting for this snow to hunt jack rabbits.

St. Marys, Ontario - Abe Hochstetler

We are having a milder winter than we had for quite a number of years. Although we have had winter weather since January 23rd. Ground froze under a good blanket of snow.

Some plowing was done first part of January. Cattle and hog prices are staying about steady.



# **MIGRATIONS**

Beechy, Eli L., Kenton, Ohio to Chesterhill, Ohio on Mar. 20 Beechy, Floyd, Kenton, Ohio to Chesterhill, Ohio in May Beiler, Amos E., Rebersburg, Penna. to Milton, Penna. on Mar. 29 Beiler, Benjamin A., Lancaster County to Delta, Pa. on Sept. 6 Beiler, Ellam K., Rebersburg, Pa. to Milton, Pa. on Mar. 22 Bontrager, Amos C., Centreville, Mi. to Kingston, Wis. on Mar. 28 Bentrager, Ben, Mendon, Mich. to Topeka, Ind. in Mar. Bontrager, Ervin from Milton, Ind. to Arthur, Ill. in Mar. Bontrager, Felty from Milton, Ia. to Amherst, Wis. on May 31 Bontrager Ira from Nappanee, Ind. to Evansville, Wis. in May Bontrager Merlin from Haven, Kan. to Jamesport, Mo. on May 16 Boutrager, Roy from Hewitt, Minn. to Hazelton, Ia. on Mar. 16 Borntrager, Amos V. from Cashton, to Augusta, Wis. on Mar. 30 Earntreger, Chester to Springville, Tenn. Borntreger Christ J. from LaRue, O. to Marietta, O. in Mar. Borntrager Daniel D. from Bronson, Mich. to Beebe, Ark. Sep 6 Borntrager, Felty A. from Utica, Minn. to Augusta, Wis. in Mar. Borntreger, Freddie L. from Milton, Ia. to Amherst, Wis., May 31 Bontreger Roy, Curryville, Mo. to Medford, Wis. on Oct. 31 Barkholder, Jonas from Geauga Co. O. to Clymer, N. Y. Nov. 16 Barkholder Sam J., Bowling Green, Mo. to Snyder Co. Pa., July 5 Byler Crist A., Geauga Co. O. to Clymer, N. Y Byler Dan J., Spartansburg, Pa. to Geauga Co. O. on Feb. 23 Byler Joe A., Clymer N. Y. to Geauga Co. O. Byler Lester, Guthrie, Ky. to Crofton, Ky. on Mar. 27 Byler Melvin A., Geauga Co. O. to Clymer, N. Y. on Mar. 13 Byler Mose, Geauga Co. O. to Troutville, Pa. in Oct. Byler Noah S., Wroxeter, Ont. to Seneca Falls, N. Y. on Apr. 12 Byler Raymond, Lakeview, Mich. to Randolph, N. Y. in April Byler Rudy N., Wroxeter, Ont. to Seneca Falls, N. Y. on Apr. 12 Chupp Sam, Kingston, Wis. to Rexford, Mont. in May Coblentz Andy D., Dannville, Ky. to Smicksburg, Pa. on Oct. 9 Coblentz Joe, Charlotte, Mich. to Rexford, Mont. on Oct. 20 Detweiler, John C., Dayton, Pa. to Dannville, Ky. on Jan. 15 Eash Ervin L., Topeka, Ind. to Bloomfield, Ia. on Aug. 28 Eash Mervin, Shipshewana, Ind. to Rexford, Mont. in Oct. Ebersole Abram, Bellefonte, Pa. to Paradise, Pa. on June 14 Eicher Andy S., Seymour, Mo. to Bowling Green, Mo. on Sep. 17 Eicher Joseph, Grabill, Ind. to Chase Mills, N. Y. on Aug. 10 Eicher Noah, Anabel, Mo. to Bowling Green, Mo. on Nov. 27 Esh John, Georgetown, Pa. to Newville, Pa. on Oct. 10 Fry Glenn D., Haven, Kan. to Jamesport, Mo. on Feb. 5 Garber Amos, Oakland, Md. to Salem, Ind. to Mar. 28 Garber Christ, Oakland, Md. to Salem, Ind. on Mar. 28 Gingerich Amos, Fredericksburg, O. to Gladwing, Mich., Nov. 29 Gingerich Amos U. Clark, Mo. to Greenwood, Wis. in Mar. Gingerich Ervin D., Clark, Mo. to Greenwood, Wis. on Sep. 11 Gingerich Ura U., Fort Washington, O. to Morgan Co. O. in Feb. Girod Jake, Clark, Mo. to Curryville, Mo. on May 17 Helmuth Chrissie, Arthur, Ill, to Bloomfield, Ia. on Mar. 28 Hertzler Enos, Dover, Del. to Marion, Ky. on Mar. 14 Hershberger Junior, DeGroff, O. to Danville, O. in Aug. Hershberger LeeKoy, Wroxeter, Ont. to Andover, O. in Apr. Hershberger Sam A., Dalton, O. to Canton, Minn. in Mar. Hochstetler Albert Lee, Kokomo, Ind. to Charlotte, Mich., in Nov. Hochstettler Atlee, Holmes Co. O., to W. Union, O. on May 3 Hochstetler Joe L., Clark, Mo., to Fairchild, Wis. on Jan. 10 Hostetler Ben R., Mifflin Co. Pa. to Snyder Co. Pa. on Mar. 1 Hostetler Crist M., Geauga Co. O. to Clymer, N. Y. on June 27 Hostetler Eli J., Martinsburg, O. to Cochranton, Pa. in May Hostetler Joe A., Lawrence Co. Pa. to Dunnville, Ky. in May Hostetler John, Fredericksburg, O. to Turbotville, Pa. on Mar. 28 Hostetler John N., Apple Creek, O. to Loci, O. in Oct. Hostetler Sam J., Geauga Co. O. to Clymer, N. Y. Kauffman Bish. Chriss, Milton, Ia. to Frederickstown, O., Oct. 24 Kaufman Raymond, Centreville, Mich, to Charlotte, Mich. Keim Roy, Danville, O. to Holmes Co. O. on Apr. 24 Kemp Leroy, Daviess Co. Ind. to Milroy, Ind. King Amos F., Shippensburg, Pa. to Lanc. Co. Pa. King Daniel, Lanc. Co. Pa. to Mill Hall, Pa. on Dec. 18 King Isaac, Lanc. Co. Pa. to Montgomery, Pa. on Dec. 12 King John, Ronks, Pa. to Green Park, Pa. in Feb. King Jonathan, Witmer, Pa. to Uckesburg, Pa. in Apr.

Stoltzfus Leroy, Quarryville, Pa. to Allenwood, Pa. on Apr. 7

Stoltzfus Vernon, Narvon, Pa. to Loysville, Pa. on Apr. 10 Stutzman Dan, Apple Creek, O. to Gladwin, Mich. on June 6 Stutzman Lonnie, Clifford, Ont. to Clyde, N. Y., Mar. 28 Stutzman, Samuel E., Ridgway, O. to Morgan County, O., Jan. 16 Swartz, Amos, Kalona, Ia. to Holmes County, O., Nov. 9 Swarey, Daniel, Path Valley, Pa. to Newport, N. Y., Nov. Swarey, David, Tavistock, Ont. to Lakeside, Ont., Aug. Swarey, Henry Belleville, Pa. to Trout Run, Pa., Mar. 22 Swartzentruber, Enos N., Fredericksburg, Ohio to Gladwin, Mich., Mar. 28 Swartzentruber, Deny, Fredericksburg, Ohio to Gladwin, Mich. Troyer, Amos D., Potsdam, N.Y. to Prattsburg, N.Y., July Troyer, Bishop Amzie, Middlebury, Ind. to Rexford, Mont., Nov. Troyer, Daniel, Middlebury, Ind. to Seymour, Mo., Aug. 28 Troyer, Daniel, Milroy, Ind. to Salem, Ind., Mar. 12 Troyer, Eli J., Geauga County, Ohio to Shermon, N. Y., Nov. 14 Troyer, Freeman, Ind. to Rexford, Mont., Oct. Troyer, Mervin, LaGrange, Ind. to Rexford, Mont., Oct. 16 Troyer, Mose S., Norfolk, N. Y. to Orattsburg, N. Y., July Troyer, Pre. Norman, Sugarcreek, O. to Martinsburg, O., May Wagler, Dea. David, Shipshewana, Ind. to Mio, Mich., Feb. 6 Weaver, Andy, Mifflintown, Pa. to Windsor, Mo., Mar. 7 Weaver, Ivan, Mifflintown, Pa. to Windsor, Mo., Mar. 7 Weaver, John J., Mercer Co., Pa. to Spartansburg, Pa., Apr. 25 Wengerd, David, Shoreham, Vt. to Middleville, N. Y., Apr. 4 Wengerd, Peter D., Apple Creek, O. to Lodi, O., Apr. Wickey, James, Spencerville, Ind. to Norfolk, N. Y., Aug. 13 Yoder, Andy M., Ohio to Ethridge, Tenn. Yoder, David, Dover, Del. to Linwood, Ont., Jan. 24 Yoder, David, Huntingdon, Tenn. to Charlotte, Mich., Dec. 10 Yoder, Eli J., Lawrence Co., Pa. to Dewittville, N. Y., Mar. 1 Yoder, Enos E., Curryville, Mo. to Huntingdon, Tenn., Nov. Yoder, Ernest D., LaGrange, Ind. to Charlotte, Mich., Dec. 11 Yoder, Harley, Jamesport, Mo. to LaPlata, Mo., Aug. 10 Yoder, Harvey T., Welda, Kan. to Shipshewana, Ind. Yoder, Harvey, to Charlotte, Mich., Apr. 17 Yoder, Henry S., Fredericksburg, O. to Gladwin, Mich., Apr. 5 Yoder, Pre. John J., Arthur, Ill. to Milton, Ala., Sept. 5 Yoder, John, Bowling Green, Mo. to LaPlata, Mo., Oct. 15 Yoder, Joe E., Port Washington, O. to —, Jan. 24 Yoder, Leroy, Mifflintown, Pa. to Guthrie, Ky., Mar. 6 Yoder, Pre. Lev M., Ligonier, Ind. to Amherst, Wis., Mar. 30 Yoder, Noah E., Lakeside, Ont. to Guthrie, Ky., Dec. 13 Yoder, Perry W., LaGrange, Ind. to Bloomfield, Ia., Mar. 22 Yoder, Rudy S., Port Washington, O. to Heuvelton, N.Y., Nov. 15 Yoder, Seth R., Reedsville, Pa. to McClure, Pa., Feb. 27 Yoder, Bish. William I., Wadena, Mi. to Augusta, Wis., Sept. 12 Yutzy, Bish. Freeman, DeGraff, Ohio to Winchester, O., Sept. 1 Zehr, David Spencerville, Ind. to Reading, Mich., Mar. 6 Zehr, Joe, Milverton, Ont. to Aylmer, Ont., Apr. 27 Zook, Amos S., New Providence, Pa. to Delta, Pa., Feb. 14 Zook, David, Gordonville, Pa. to Spring Glen, Pa. Zook, Isaac, Lancaster Co., Pa. to Millersburg, Pa., Mar. 8

The 1979 migration list is considerably smaller than 1978 with 203 movings instead of 285. New settlements were started at Mercersburg and Catawissa in Pennsylvania, Clyde, Newport, Prattsburg and Seneca Falls in New York State. Most of the new settlements have only a few families. Shoreham, Vermont became extinct during the year, also Tavistock, Ontario. We had reported this incorrectly last year but one family moved out during 1979. Budget and Botschaft scribes could help make this list more accurate by putting old and new addresses and dates moved in their letters.

C. J. Stoltzfus

## **January Migrations**

Allen Bylers from Fair Grove, Missouri, to Charlotte, Michigan. Eli Millers, from Kenton, Ohio to Frederickstown, Ohio, December 28.







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As time went on, controversies grew deeper. It was natural that after the act of the counsil at Trent, caused the Reformers to react against the Apocrypha, for centuries later the issue lingered. Around 1800 a certain evangelist teacher, Richard Cecil, observed that "man is a creature of extremes." The middle path is generally a wise path, but there are few wise enough to find it. Because papists have too much of it, protestants have too little of it. The papist will put the apocrypha into his Canon, the protestant will scarcely regard it as an ancient record. Has not this ethic provided a pitfall for many in our generation, to shift from one extreme to a point where Sacred accounts are practically disregarded.

Through the years the English versions of the Bible have kept ahead in the Anti-Apocrypy game. Already in 1599 the puritans have made aversion that the books of Apocrypha were completely omitted.

Since the puritans laid the keystone to early American worshipers as well as the influence of english leadership the Apocrypha became removed from the bible early in America. In our century the name or title of these once inspiring books is unknown or unheard of by many. If the name was known it was regarded as the book of doubts or subject to other ander titles.

It must be remembered however, that in the Standard king James Bible, some Apocryphal books were always intact. It was the Revised versions and descendants of the standard version, that delibertly removed the Apocrypha to meet the taste of more modern English worshippers. The same can be said of Lutheran Bible, although most of the German Reformed, German Mennonites and other German oriented denominations in America were generally more conservate and held the Apocrypha in bible reprints in America.

For a few centuries the English versions as well as the German versions withheld 1st and 2nd Esdra, and 3rd maccabees, which Luther did not translate to begin with

Sauer recalled the missing books in America in 1743 and the English standard version recalled them, officially, in 1895, so that the full works of the old Latin Bible were available to both English and German worshippers in America quite early.

#### The Frohschouer Bible

A most unusual, Swiss or Zwingli version, is a Zurich edition by Christoffel Froschouer printed in 1536. A few originals are yet to be found among german "plain folk," whose anoesters have brought them along from Switzerland or Swiss-German and Swiss-French regions. This Bible contains some books of apocrypha in different arrangement as the Lutheran version. Contrary to the belief of some admirers of this Bible they are seperated from the Hebrew Old our present Lancaster bible is strictly Lutheran, two of the most colorful books of the apocrypha are omitted from our bible.

Next Frohschour places "The wisdom of Solomon" which is the second approcryhal book in the Lutheran version. Sirach comes next or before Tobit as in the Lutheran version, followed by Tobie, Frohschour continues with Baruch and then Judith, which comes first in the Lutheran apocryphal. Hester or Ester comes next, followed by Susanna, which Frohschour leaves a note at the title that it was the 11th chapter of Daniel in Latin. (vulgate Bible), where Luther has "Bel zu Babel" and "Drachen zu Babel" a chapter for each one, Frohschour incorperated the two into one chapter named "Bild zu Baal, Bel."

Froschour now continues with 1st, 2nd and 3rd maccabees, which Luther includes only 1st and 2nd of this book. The King James version follows the Luther pattern of this book of maccabees. Here Frohschour continues with Job, which ends the books of apocrypha.

To say that Frohschour was ignorant in setting properly or dividing the canon from non canon books is never true. In his

# Peach Bottom Slate

FROM AN ARTICLE

# State Quarrying & the Welsh

Submitted by Gerald Lestz Abstracted from "THE STAR," Delta, Penna.

By Sarah Robinson

Many are the industries which have made prominent a town, state or notion. So it was with Peach Bottom slate, the slate known around the world from the middle of the 19th century until late 1930's that was quarried in Peach Bottom township, York County, and northern Harford County, around the town of Delta.

As early as 1734 slate was used and its quality recognized. For it was in 1725 that two Welshmen, William and James Reese, came from Wales and purchased land in the Delta area. A few years later as they were building their farm buildings they discovered what they called "slate rock." They found the slate could be split easily to any thickness and proceeded to roof their buildings with it. One of the seven buildings erected at this time remained standing until 1932 when it burned. It had the original slate on the roof put there by the Reese brothers.

Today, (1979), many buildings still have their original slate coofing. The Slateville Presbyterian Church, built in 1849, has its original slate roof and the Rehoboth Welsh Church is en example in the use of slate wherever possible. Foundations are built of slate and a few of the slate sidewalks remain in the Delta Borough. At one time the sidewalks were nearly all made of large slate slabs.

Quarrying the slate in Peach Bottom did not become an industry until about 1812 when the first large quarry was opened on the Williamson estate. Peter Williamson worked t is quarry. However, there is a record of the first c nmercial cut being made in 1785 by William Decker.

The prospects of successful slate quarrying in Peach Intom became known abroad and in 1846, many Welsh coerators migrated to the Delta area. The first prominent marries were owned and operated by Captain David Jones and Roland Parry. Mr. Parry opened a quarry in 1847 and exhibited slate from his quarry at the London Crystal Palace Exposition in 1850 where it received first prize as the hardest, most durable slate in the world.

Other slate companys were: - Williams C. Williams & Co.; E. D. Davies & Co.; William C. Roberts; Thomas W. Jones & Co.; John W. Jones & Co.; and Foulk Jones.

The slate area (called the Ridge or Slate Ridge) extends from Fairmont, Lancaster County, across the Susquehanna River through Peach Bottom, and across the Mason Dixon line ending in Harford County. The area is 10 miles in length and one-half mile in width.

The slate deposits of the world are divided into two groups, Cambrian and Silurian. Peach Bottom slate belongs to the Cambrian group, being lower in the ground, older and harder.

Peach Bottom slate will not react to chemical changes and because of this it was used extensively on buildings where fumes of gas and chemical elements existed. Some of thes buildings were the Pennsylvania Railroad's round houses and shops; Westinghouse shops and buildings; and the buildings of the city gas works of Baltimore, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Newark, Boston and New York.

The slate taken from the early quarries was principally used for slate roofing. Later as progress was made in other

industries the use of slate became more extensive and by granulating the rock, it was used for fertilizer filler and synthetic roofing. Pulverized slate was used as a filler for paint, linoleum and rubber. However, one can also find beautifully carved tombstones of slate in the Slateville and Mt. Nebo cemeteries.

Quarrying for roofing slate was discontinued about 1936. It was an expensive process to split the slate which was done with a special implement by hand. Also the art of slate splitting was passed on to sons by their fathers but many of the sons left the area for greener fields and as the old Welsh slate splitters passed on, the trade went with them.

There are no longer any slate quarries in operation in Peach Bottom. All that remains are many deep holes in the ridge filled with water and a few slate dumps. The Blue Mountain (Funkhouser Co. & later Ruberroid) the last of the big quarry operations, discontinued quarrying a few years ago because of environmental controls and nothing remains but huge mounds of slate dust.

## Welsh Background

There were Welsh settlers in America many years before the influx to the Delta - Peach Bottom community. At the very infancy of Pennsylvania a number of Welsh "of sterling worth and excellent character" arrived in the province in 1682 (Rupp's History of Lancaster County). Before coming to the new America they purchased 40,000 acres of land from the King of England in an area west of the Schuykill River. Before 1692 they had increased to such an extent that six townships in the lower counties had been settled.

The Welsh custom in settling new countries was similar to the Swiss and Palatines. At first they sent someone across the Atlantic to purchase land and make preparations for the families to come later.

Among the Welsh who acted as a pionee was the well-known Rowland Ellis who sent Thomas Owen and his family to make a settlement. Following Owen in 1698 were William Jones, Thomas Evans, Robert Evans, Cadwallader Evans, Hugh Griffith, Deward Foulke, John Humphrey and Robert Jones. This group settled on 10,000 acres in Guinedd Township, Chester County.

Another settlement was established in 1722 in Churchtown, Caernarvon Township, Lancaster County and included settlers by the name of Torbert, Douglas, Davies, Spenger, Henderson, Morgan, Edwards and Jenkins.

The Welsh are descended from very ancient races of people since the successive waves of immigrants in Wales never drove out the earlier settlers but were absorbed by them. Their ancestry thus goes back to the prehistoric Stone Age people and contains elements of the succeeding Bronze Age and Iron times, the Roman, Saxon, Viking and Norman invaders all left traces of their inscursions into Wales, not only in their fortifications but also through intermarriage with the people already in Wales.

The Welsh have succeeded in preserving their own way of life and their native spirit of independence through these many years. Banded together against continual threats against the boundaries of their rugged terrain, the Welsh developed a sense of comradeship not only with each other but with the hills and valleys that protected this little county. One need seek no further explanation for the fact that the Welsh name for Wales is Cymru, the land of comradeship.

The Welsh are a rare, unusual group of people, known for their love of music and sense of humor. They are small in stature but might in their love of life and compassion for their fellow man.





# French Anabaptist Excerps

# Translated from a la Chaux-de-fonds Document by John Ruth

In consequence of the order of seigniory of the twelfth of the current month of October 1733. Which orders all officers of this state to draw up an exact list of all those in their jurisdictions who are Pietisis, Anabaptists and other peoples constituting separate sects, with particular inquiries on the time when they came to live there, from where they originated and from which place they took leave in order to come into this region. The Honorable and Prudent Sir Charles Tissot, Lieutenant of la Chaux-de-fonds, in the absence of Mr. Perret, mayor of the aforesaid place for His Majesty the King of Prussia, our sovereign prince and lord, having had all those of the aforesaid sects, summoned who can be seen to reside in this jurisdiction, to appear before the law and men of justice this very day, to make the aforesaid honorable Lieutenant to go to St. Mier on this aforementioned day, he charged a former court clerk Jacques Sandoz, Judge in the aforesaid Chaux, to proceed with this inquiry; which he did in the presence of Mssrs. Jacques Sandoz the young Justiciary, and David Perret Gentil Judge in Renfort, in the following

The man by the name of Pierre Peter Stockly said that he is from Swartzbourg, the L. L. E. E. estates of Bern; he declared himself to be an Anabaptist; and that he has his wife and a daughter with him; that it has been 17 years since he left his home place and that he came to dwell on the lands of Erguel, and from there he went on to hold by rental a piece of land belonging to the Intendant (Steward) Vernod, at the place called a la Combe Valier; and that it has been about a year or two that he has had charge by rental of a piece of land on the little Quarter of la Chaux-de-fonds.

Anna Stuby, the widow of Pierre Heilgen, says she comes from the jurisdiction of Swartzbourg, the L. L. E. E. estates of Bern, and declares herself to be an Anabaptist; she says she has four children, namely three sons and one daughter; also it was about 17 years ago that they left their home and spent a few years near Erguel, and from there, they rented a piece of property belonging to the Intendant Vernod, the place called a la Combe Valier; and for about four years they have been living near the town hall of la Chaux-de-fonds.

Nicolas Steiner, says he is from Dieffbach, Canton of Bern, and declares himself to be an Anbaptist; he has only his wife with him; altough they have children their children have remained in their home district. For 14 years they have been residing in la Chaux-de-fonds; but previously they had already held, by rental, a mountain which belongs to

Pierre Puchy, says he is from Oberhoff, the Gurol E. estates of Bern, an - declares himself to be an Anabaptist. He says he has a wife and five children, namely three sons and two daughters; ,he has already lived for about six years in this jurisdiction, having lived for about as long a time in Erguel.

The four aforementioned families are according to their own testimony all from the L. L. E. E. estates of Bern; and they have been gone from there for about 17 years now; and there are not in this place, to the best of our knowledge, any other of these foreign sects. But there is a bachelor, about 34 to 36 years old, named Abraham, son of Daniel Brandt of le Locle and of la Chaux-de-fonds, a townsman of Valangin, living on the Boinaud Quarter, on top of the Converts; where he has land and a house; and he is a maker of window glass by profession; he has a father and a mother and sisters who all belong to our holy religion. But as for him, for several years he has not attended our holy gatherings and he does not

participate at all in Holy Communion. He had also been summoned to have to appear before the honorable Lieutenant, and he appeared before the aforementioned former clerk, where it was that he declared that he was not an Anabaptist, and he claimed neither the name of Pietist nor the name of any other sect; he says that he is a Christian, and that his religion is to conform to and to follow the word of God, contained in the Holy Scriptures. Moreover for a long time he has refused to carry out any military function or exercise, and he refuses to carry any sword or any other arms, no matter what order he is given.

The honorable Lieutenant having seen this inquiry which has been made in his absence, on Wednesday, October 21, 1733; he has ordered the aforementioned former clerk, in the absence of his son the clerk, to make a copy of it to be thus sent to the Seigniory (to your Lordship?).

I. Sandoz

Michel (Michael) Hostettlers, an Anabaptist from Nydegg, parishioner of Wakleven, jurisdiction of Schwartzenbourg (spelled Schwartzenburg today), came to this region 23 years ago, from where, after having been there for some time, he went off to the Valdee. St. Junier from where he has been back for two years and has had charge of the mountain of David Montmory of Doubresson. Adding that he is married and has three children of which the eldest is 13 years old. He produced an attestation in German from the parish of Wakleven signed Difflinger, notary.

Jean (John) Hostettler of the aforesaid Nydegg, jurisdiction of Schwartzenbourg, an Anabaptist, dwells at la Combe de Hertuy belonging to the honorable Judge Coulet, he said that he has lived in this region for about two years, having come with his wife from the Valdee. St. Junier. He has no children and has produced an attestation in German signed

Difflinger, notary

All the above named thus having been heard, the honorable Lieutenant ordered the undersigned clerk to draw up the proceedings in this form. At Valangin on the a foresaid year and day October 28, 1733.

Lavoodom J J Andre 

## APOCRYPHA Cont.

Testement Canonial books and are not intermixed with them as acclaimed by some recent owners. The difference is tha Frohschour has not seperated them with a new preface as other Bible compilers have in the reformation period. Perhaps he followed the old Latin vulgate Bible in order to that extent, however he omits The Songs of the Three Holy Children, The Prayer of Asaria, and the Prayer of Manasses. In the prefix of 2nd Esther he notates that it was in Latin the 11th chapter. In the history of Susanna he notes at the heading that it was in Latin a continuation of Daniel or the 13th chapter. "Bel at Babylon" was the 14th chapter of Daniel respectively.

Now that he does not break off after the Old Hebrew Canon Books with a new preface, led many readers to believe that the books of apocrypha are not seperated, which they are, although in a different pattern from the Lutheran German version. He begins with 1st Esdra, without any marked break, which is identical to the Hebrew book of Ezra in the Lutheran bible, then he continues with 2nd Esdras which is identical to Hebrew Nehemia in the Lutheran Bible. Next is Esther in the Frohschouer which is in the same order as in the Lutheran Bible. Frohschouer then continues with 3rd and 4th Esdras which is where his apocrypha actually begins without any marginal notes of anykind. These two books of Esdras are omitted in all Lutheran versions, except in the Christopher Sauer, edition who borrowed them from another German translater. Luther never translated them and since

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# George Schwertfeger's Poem of the Swiss Brethren

A Reprint from the Quarterly Review [April 1929]

- Note: The manuscript of this interesting historical poem was secured from Bishop Jonathan Kurtz of Ligonier, Indiana, who received it from his uncle, Jonathan Zook of Holmes County, Ohio. It was copied by Zook in 1890. The Zook family settled in Fairfield County, Ohio, having migrated thither via Mifflin County, Penna., from Berks or Lancaster County, Penna. It is an old Amish family. However, how this manuscript came into the hands of Jonathan Zook is altogether unknown. Nothing is known about the author-schoolteacher, George Schwertfeger. The date of composition is uncertain, but it is probably about 1815. The one certain point of reference is the statement about the almanacmaker, Jacob Klopfenstein, who is mentioned is verse 14. E. H. Correll, in his Schweizerisches Taufer-Mennonitentum, Tuebingen, 1925, reprints the title-page and frontispiece of an almanac published by Jacques Klopfenstein entitled. L'Anabaptiste ou le Cultivateur par Experience, which was in its second year in 1813. How long these almanacs were issued is unknown. Schwertfeger describes Klopfenstein as though he were still publishing these almanacs. It might possibly be inferred that Napoleon was still "Emperor" at the time poem was written since the reference to him calls him 'Kaiser.''
- Menschen die nach Christen fragen, Kommt zu mir, ich kann euch sagen; Dann ich thu noch viele kennen, Man thut sie nur Taeufer Nennen; Diese Lehren Immerfort, Nur allein aus Gottes Wort.
- All ihre Lehr und Sitten, Sind gerichtet auf den Frieden. Wis es Christus hat befohlen, Halten sie's ganz unverholen; Nur bei ihnen ganz allein, Findet man die Lehre Rein.
- 3. Ich war schon oft bei ihrer Lehr,
  Wo mancher groszer reicher Herr;
  Aus wunder sich hat eingefunden.
  Am Sonntag bei den Andacts-stunden;
  Da wird Gepredigt ohne Pracht,
  Wie's die Juenger Jesu han gemacht.
- 4. Ich sah auch wie sie Brod thun brechen,
  Und ueber den Wein, den Segen sprechen:
  Und wie sie die Fuesz sich waeschen,
  Von Christi Lehre nichts vergessen;
  Als Christen thun sie ihre Pflicht,
  Vergessen auch das geringste nicht.
- 5. Die Taufe wird also verwalten,
  Wie's die Juenger Jesu han gehalten;
  Man Tauft die groszen nur allein,
  Und nicht die kleinen Kinderlein;
  Sie halten's wie's geboten ist,
  Und nicht wie der Widerchrist.

- 6. Vom Hochmuth, und von Kleiderpracht,
  Wird unter ihnen nicht gedacht;
  Den Bart den hauen sie nicht ab,
  Sie tragen ihn bis in des Grab;
  Rothe, Gelbe, Gruene Seiden,
  Thun die Weiber alle Meiden.
- 7. Die Weiber sind den Maennern trei,
  Und eh eins stribt, ist keines Frei;
  Vom Huren, und Ehebrechen,
  Hoert man selden unter ihnen sprechen;
  Die Jungfern wissen nichts von Seuchen,
  Die unter Staedtler Tochter schleichen.
- 8. Gastfreiheit, und Gutthaetigkeit, Geh' man in der Welt weit und breit;
  Trift man whol selden an,
  Als wie bei einem Taeufers-mann;
  Ein Jeder halten sie als Gast,
  Ob sie ihn kennen gleich nicht fast.
- 9. Die Diener, und Prediger all,
  Werden erwaehlt mit freuer wahl;
  Ein Jeder gibt seine Stimme Frei,
  Wer er glaubt, dasz wohl der beste sei;
  Und wann sie gleiche Stimmen han,
  So musz das Loos entscheiden dann.
- 10. Wer kennt doch auf dem Salme, nit, Den Alten grauen Kupferschmidt; Was dieser schon seid manchem Jahr, Vor ein gewaltiger Prediger war. Jetzund erwert er bald den Lohn, Dort oden in des Himmels-Thron.
- 11. Dorten in dem Lothringen Land,
  Ist der Christian Engel auch bekannt;
  Wie der zu Gottes Preisz,
  Auch sehr wohl zu Predigen weisz;
  Der Christian Gerber auch,
  Prediget wie es ist der gebrauch.
- 12. Den Allergelehrsten, den ich thu kennen,
  Thut sich Joseph Stalter Nennen;
  Und wann schon sechs duzent Paffen kaeman;
  So thaeten sie ihn doch nichts nehmen;
  Bei Zweibruecken ihr die Wohnung sein,
  Wo er geliebt wird Allgemein.
- 13. Ich kenn noch ein sehr Gelehrter Mann, Johannes Freuenberger ist sein Nam; In Basel ist er sehr bekannt, Dort oben in dem Schweizer-Land; Der Predigt so schoen und fein, Dasz es nicht koennte besser sein.
- 14. Zu Belford wohnt der Klopfensten; Der traegt wohl einen Goldnen Stern; Den er als Bauer hat zum Lohn, Vom groszen Kaeuser Napolion; Er thut auch wohl Kalender machen, Er muest ihn aber nicht Auslachen.
- 15. Der Christian Gingerich auf dem Wallerath Auch einen grozen Namen hat; Weil er ist ein brafer Mann, Und dazu auch gut Predigen kann; Es wird ihm dabei nicht bang, Weil er den Dinst hat schon so lang.

- 16. Der Bildhauerhof in Elsasz ist,
  Da wohnt auch ein guter Christ;
  Mit Namen heiszt er Joseph Fritz,
  Ein Mann voll verstand und witz;
  Mann weisz ja sehr weit und breit,
  Was das sind fuer brafe Leut.
- 17. Noch einer kann ich nicht auslan,
  Dann er ist auch ein brafer Mann;
  Michael Engel er sich nennt,
  Den Brendelfinger hat ihr wohl kennt,
  Dorten in dem Buetscher-land,
  Ist er Jedem wohl bekannt.
- 18. Viele wueszt ich noch zu Nennen, Die ich alle gut thu kennen; In Lothringen, Elsasz und Brisgau,

## A 19TH CENTURY POEM ABOUT THE

#### **FRENCH MENNONITES**

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The historical sources concerning the French Mennonites Assemblies in the 19th Century are not rare, but not numberous. Besides the famous book by Michiel entitled "The Anabaptists in the Vogse," there is no printed source. The handwritten documents are in the National Archives and the Departmental Archives and in some City Halls in the Eastern part of France. The German Mennonitische Geschichts-Verein library has also some books concerning the French Anabaptists-Mennonites. Families of the French Mennonite Assemblies still keep, in some rare cases, letters or documents about their ancestors activities. In general, these sources are very scattered, difficult to get at for non-specialists and are not as many, I am afraid, as in the Archives about the Swiss brethren between the time of their settling in France around 1660-70 and the French Revolution in 1789, that is to say to the same period more or less.

On the other hand, many of the documents come from hostile authors, religiously indifferent observers like Michiel, prefects and mayors who were not always well informed and generally writing for officials who were not familiar with the people or the religion about whom they wrote. As to the sources coming from the Mennonites themselves, one cannot find any description or general observations. These are personal letters or circumstantial reports and are usually very important to us.

These considerations will help us to understand the interest of this poem. In fact, it is not a very poetical work. It is written by a non-anabaptist man, but very familiar with the French Mennonite Assemblies. It was written during the first half of the 19th Century. First, his observations are interesting coming from a religious man, and secondly for summerizing all that an outsider would desire to know about the Mennonites at this time, concerning their beliefs, practices and their mentality.

References to the most famous people of the Mennonites Assemblies are almost humerous. The author knew well the people he talked about in his poem. He had had many personal relationships with many of them in France, In der Schweitz Pfalz und Wetterau; Dann von der Schweitz bis in Holland, Sind die meisten mir bekannt.

- 19. Der dies Liedlein hat erdicht,
  Ist fuerwahr kein Taeufer nicht;
  Er hat ihnen das Lob gesungen,
  So gut es ihm ist gelungen;
  Georg Schwertfegerer sich Nennt,
  Als Schulmeister, ihr ihn wohl kennt.
- 20. Ihr kennt ja wohl den Buechermann,
  Der die Kinder Lehren kann;
  Nicht Deutsch und Franzsoesisch fallein,
  Auch andere sprachen nebt Latein,
  Kann er lehren eure Kinder,
  Wann ihr ihn Dinget auf den Winter.

## A REVISED STUDY OF THE FRENCH POEM

By Jean Seguy, 1964

Note that the researcher, Jean Seguy, Paris, France, in his second study found the Schwertfeger name to be authentic rather than a nickname.

In an article published in Christ Seul (January 1960, p. 27-38) titled "Un Poeme du XIX" Siecle sur les Mennonites Francais, I had given, together with a reproduction of the German text of Schwertfeger's rhymed ballad (which had already been published by H. S. Bender in the MQR for April 1929, PP. 151-54) a French translation of it and a commentary on its contents and its author. As Dean Bender put it in the review he devoted to this article (MQR, October 1960, PP. 313-14), my "most earnest attempts to identify the author" had proved "to be in vain." The difficulty was that no hint was given in the poem as to the place where Schwertfeger lived. In other words, it was impossible to make any investigations in birth and death records, without an extensive search through a vast mass of documents scattered all through the German-speaking parts of Alsace and Lorraine. Only chance could help if the origins of the man were to be discovered. Chance did help, but too late for the find to be inserted in my article of January 1960.

The information I am now able to give is taken from the records of baptisms, marriages, and deaths of the Lutheran parish of Sainte-Marie-aux-Mines (Haut-Rhin), (German 'Markirch'') for 1706-92. These are deposited in the Archives du Haut-Rhin, Colmar (France), and to be found under the description G. G. 35. These documents confirm my impression that the name Schwertfeger is alien to Alsace. The first bearer of it in the Sainte Marie Lutheran records is Johann Georg, born at Hoffmarks-Furth, a place near Nurnberg, Germany. I have been unable to identify this place, which must be some hamlet. He is referred to in connection with the marriage of his son also name Johann-Georg with a certain Maria L'huiler. The union took place on May 27, 1738. At that date, Johann Georg I had already died. He is mentioned as gewester Kriegsbedienter, or deceased military functionary. We may surmise that he had come to Sainte-Marie after the Thirty Years' War, when the place was so hopelessly depopulated and the Prince of Birkenfeld allowed as many as wanted to come to his small possession in the Val de Liepvre. One knows that this was also the occasion when the first Bernese Anabaptists came to Sainte-Marie. Whether this Johann Georg was nicknamed for his professional occupation or not, Schwertfeger meaning maker of swords, his son Johann Georg II was certainly more

peacefully minded, as he is known to us as a joiner. From his marriage with Maria L'huillier he had five sons: Johann-Georg III (b. 1739), Christoph-Ulrich (b. 1743), Georg-Christoph (b. 1746), Johann-Paul (b. 1749). Johann-Georg II having died in 1739, at six months of age, his name was given to the fifth son, Johann-Georg IV, born on January 26, 1752, baptized on the 30th of the same month. This latter is most probably our poet and schoolmaster. It is to be supposed that he is the same Georg Schwertfeger whose death is reported as follows in 1819: "Du treize novembere mil-huit-cent-dixneuf a dix heures du matin, acte di deces de George Schwerdfeger, mort hier a onze heures du soir, age de soixante-dix ans, fileur de laine, ne et domicilie a Sanite-Marie-aux-Mines, departement du Haut-Rhin, fils celibataire des defunts Jean-George Schwerdfeger et de Marie L'huiller son epouse'' (Archives du Haut-Rhin, Colmar, Etat-Civil de S-M-A-M., 5 E. 444). It is probable that the age of the deceased was given approximately, as was frequently the case in those days. In fact, (Johann)-Georg IV had reached his sixty-eighth birthday in January 1819.

A number of facts help us identify this Johann-Georg IV as the author of the Gedicht von der schweitzerischen Gemeinde with a high degree of probability. He is the only one among his family to fit in with the details we know about the poet. The one with whom a confusion might arise, Georg-Christoph, does not appear in the records after the year 1746 when his birth was reported. He must have left Sainte-Marie. Besides, Johann-Georg IV had never married, as appears from the record of his death. Michiels, in Les Anabaptists des Vosges, tells us (p. 245) that the schoolmasters whom the Mennonites of the Vosges district hired for their children were bachelors. On another hand, the death record quoted above describes Georg Schwertfeger as a wool weaver. This also fits in with what we know of the schoolmasters in that time and place. Prof. Paul Leuilliot, in L'Alsace au XIX Siecle, Vol. III, Paris. S. E. V. P. E. N., 1960, p. 314, quotes the sous-prefet of Altkirch as complaining, in 1821, of the bad conditions then prevailing in primary schools. This official tells of those masters who would spend the winter teaching and the rest of the time making ends meet by weaving. In most cases, he adds, the school session takes place in the room where the loom stands! So there is no difficulty in supposing that our Schwertfeger was both a wool weaver and a schoolmaster. This does not solve the problem of his own education. Compared to other teachers of those days he seems to have possessed a rather good foundation. This is particularly important, as Leuilliot [loc. cit.] underlines the paucity of bilingual masters. Georg Schwertfeger belonged to a bilingual family, his mother being of French lineage. Yet he had also learned Latin. The fact that he lived in Sainte-Marie explains why he started his review of the Elders of the "Swiss Assemblies," as he says, with Jacob Kupferschmitt, the Elder of Salm, a congregation with which the Mennonites of Sainte-Marie had numerous connections. Then they may have been friends, and the knowledge Schwertfeger allegedly had of the Dutch Mennonites might have come to him through conversations with the old Kupferschmitt. The latter had been to Holland before the French Revolution in order to settle difficulties in the Amish congregations there.

It seems that the Schwertfeger family either left Sainte-Marie-aux-Mines in the course of the nineteenth century or that it died out. The last mention I have been able to find of it is dated "12.2. 1832." It concerns the death of a Caroline Schwertfeger, illegitimate daughter of Madelaine S., who could be a cousin of Johann-Georg IV. The L'huillier family to which the mother of this latter belonged still exists. It is a most ancient Sainte-Marie family. The founder of the noted daily Paris newspaper Le Temps, which was replaced by Le Monde in 1945, Auguste Nefftzer, was the son of a Sarah L'huillier, of Sainte-Marie-aux-Mines. F. L'huillier, a well-known historian and professor, belongs to the same family. See Bopp (J-M), Die evangelischen Geistlichen und Theologen in Elsass und Lothringen (Neustadt a. d. Aisch, Verlag Degener und C0, 1959-60), article "Nefftzer."

I had suggested in the above quoted article that Schwertfeger might well have written his poem on the French Mennonites essentially to advertise his schools. Its last stanza is devoted to Schwertfeger himself and this had led me to this hypothesis. Though it cannot be entirely dismissed, I want to underline here that this poetry is in the form of a popular ballad, and that the genre itself demands that the author should sign his piece in the last stanza. It may be, then, that Schwertfeger just conformed to good usage in the six lines in which he advertises his ability as a schoolmaster. After all, he was already sixty-three when he composed the "Gedicht" and his reputation was certainly established by then.

See Pierre Sommer, "Historique des Assemblees," in Christ Seul (March 1932) p. 5. \*

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Switzerland, Palatinate and Holland, but also he lived a long time with them as a teacher for their children during the winter, the period when the family life becomes closer and when the family's guest can become a friend more easily. So, the Georg Schwertfeger's observations are especially interesting to the historian or to the layman who wants to know about the Mennonite Assemblies in our country.

About Georg Schwertfeger, we know only his name. He gave it to us by introducing it in his poem. Otherwise, we would have ignored it. And we can wonder if Schwertfeger is more a nickname than a name. Schwertfeger means a furbisher or swordmaker. Could it have a connection with his pugnacious temper? Or is he a former soldier always occupied with his memories of battles and dreaming of fleeing enemies? It is difficult to answer this question. Many former soldiers in the 19th century, taught their "Knowledge" which included what they had learned in the soldiers barricks to their native village children when they returned. This activity brought them some money and broke the monotony of their life. Besides, nicknames have always been numerous in the countryside and one of the Mennonite children's schoolmasters we know is more often mentioned by his nickname "Sechsfinger" (six fingers) than by his last name (Philippe Jahan). With the hypothesis that a nicknames shows the former occupation of this schoolmaster. one understands better the allusion to the Dutch Mennonites Schwertfeger pretends to know in stanza 18. One does not see how it could have been possible for a common schoolmaster in that time, when the relationship between the French Anabaptists and their Dutch coreligionists was very limited. Besides, the poet would have been clearer if as a Republic and Empire soldier, had been in Holland. Anyway, we can only make hypothesis about Schwertfeger. It is better to let him speak and recite his poem.

Schwertfeger certainly served posterity. His allusions are precise enough to date approximately his work. Jacques Klopfenstein who is mentioned in stanza 14 received the golden medal from the Agricultural Society of Paris in 1810. His first almanach "The Anabaptist or the farmer by experience" dates from 1812. The poem mentioning this publication cannot have been written before the first months of this year. On the other hand, stanza 10 evokes the old Kuferschmidt from Salm, and shows him going to receive his

celestial reward. Schwertfeger was not a prophet, but he predicted well for J. Kuferschmidt died in 1813. What is the conclusion? This poem was printed in the first months of 1812 and the last of 1813. The allusion to Klopferstein is precise "He also knows how to make an almanac." This could prove he produced many of them. In that case, this document would date from 1813. Now we can wonder why the author wrote. This answer is not clear. Schwertfeger did not write to serve Anabaptist propaganda because he was probably Lutheran. And it was not very popular to evangelize in those former Mennonite Assemblies. Did he want simply to flatter his employers? Indee, Michiels mentions the unbelievable servility of Sechsfinger. Why would Schwertfeger not have looked like him? In that time, the school master had to be forgiven by the peasants. They used knowledge, limited, but still they knew how to live without working with their hands. They inspired a certain jealousy, but their submisivness used to help them, servile but very polite, they got along very well with their students' parents. But the Mennonite schoolmasters were considered as servants. All these elements pushed Schwertfeger to write this poem. But one school master seems not to have limited his ambition to flatter in order to eat better. He must have been sly and calculating without being dishonest. The Mennonites do not lose anything anyway. He praised their dectrines and customs and was not an Anabaptist. What a freedom and independance in his praise! But the other 11 verses depict his own talents: "I know Latin, French, German, many other languages, (perhaps Dutch).'

The petition made in 1809 to the government to obtain a special dispensation for the Anabaptists who did not want to be enrolled in the army, implied an admistrative invertigation about their life, beliefs, and customs. This investigation had worried the Eastern departmental governments between 1809 and 1811. A few investigations took place in 1811. The mayors had been obliged to give information. Did

Schwertfeger help them? It is not impossible

The circumstances that gave birth to this poem are very doubtful. Wanting to flatter and to fustify, taking advantage in the two cases, the author, perhaps embelished his model. It is plausible Schwertfeger knew his model very well but if his poem would be read by Lutherans and Catholics, he would have to be precise. Otherwise, he would have acted against the Anabaptists instead of helping them in the light of public opinion. So this poem can be a rather good historical

In this poem, Schwertfeger gives precise information about the Anabaptist customs and beliefs. He knows their theological views—living according to the Gospel—this was the aim of the Anabaptist movement when it began in Zurich in 1523-25. A recent Mennonite historian showed that the Anabaptist theology around Grebel is summarized in their

attempt to reinstitute the early church.

This poem also describes exactly the main ceremonies in an Assembly's life: the adult baptism, the Lord's Supper, the footwashing, the religion where a minister is essential (stanza 15). The footwashing concerns only the Amish. There were very few Reist assemblies in France, so the author ignored them. But, on the other hand, he knows a lot about the election of the ministers and preachers. He knows also the Anabaptist's manner of dress, but he is not very precise. The men do not care how they dress, he says. But everybody knows the large brimmed hat, the old fashioned trousers, the shoes without laces, all black or dark blue, except the white stockings. Schwertfeger mentions especially the beard. His Mennonite employers probably insisted to mention it. They suffered too much to keep it during the Revolution. This beard appears like a symbol to this author, that is true. The beard will soon become a matter of discussion in French Mennonite Assemblies. For the women, the precise description is vague They used plain and dull colored material. This emph sixed their desire for simplicity. The desire of living separated from the world is also expressed in the description of their marriage customs (stanza 7). The two last verses show that their desire of simplicity corresponded to a destress of the cities and their way of life. This separation from the world could be desire for protection from

Schwertfeger does not mention certain points that would surprise foreigners of the Eastern countries. For instance, he does not speak about the use of the German language in numberous places where French is exclusively spoken by the rest of the population. The German language plays an

important part of defense against the world.

Georg Schwertfeger knows alos much about the important persons of the assembly and from this point of view, his poem is interesting. Indeed, we find in the Archives, documents and certain names of the most important personalities of this time. His presentation of these names is rather disconnected. First, he mentions the ones he knows the best, the old Kupferschmidt named Jacob had been the oldest member of the Salm meeting where he died. Pierre Sommer had found a letter from the Bitche church sent to a member of the Salm meeting in which they asked the elder Kupferschmidt if they had to baptize abain a brother coming from Holland before receiving him into the Bitche Assembly. This letter was dated 1782. We know that Jacob Kupferschmidt was working in the church in 1779. He died in 1813 and was well known.

Christian Engel (stanza 11) was more active. He was living on the farm named Jambrot (Lagarde) in Department Meurthe et Moselle, and belonged to the Welschlander Church. He went to Paris in 1808 to obtain the exemption from military service for Mennonite young men. He stayed there from February 28 until May 2, 1809. He signed in the name of his church the Ordnunbrief of 1808 and organized a meeting at Wintling on April 28, 1811. He returned to Paris the same year for the same purpose with a new petetion concerning military service and was accompanied this time by Jean Locbul I from Montbeliard and Joseph Hirschy from Ziuxange (Haut Rhin). He signed petitions for his church in 1814 and 1829. Then we do not know what happened to him. The historians of the American Anabaptists find him again in Illinois where he was the first Amish who organized a meeting. 2 He died there in 1838.

But we know much less about Christian Gerber (stanza 11). His name is there at the end of the Ordnungsbrief of 1808,

where he signs for the Salm Church.

Statler, in the next stanza seems to have been an important personality. We do not know his dates of birth and death, but he was one of the founders of the Zweibrucken Church. This meeting split from the one of Ixhem for unknown reasons. We only know that the Statler and Esch families fought against each other. Pierre Sommer dates this separation from the first half of the 19th Century, probably after 1815. Statler was appreciated by everybody in the Zweibrucken congregation where he was living.

With Johannes Freuenberger (stanza 13) we leave France. This man was one of the first Mennonites in the Basel meeting. He had a strong personality, wanting to keep unity among the Bernese brethren. He used to come to France very often where he knew Pierre Rich from Heimersdorf (Bas Rhin) during the revolutionary period. He arranged for a new

Appears as Lugenbuhl in the Gemeinde Register.

2 Christian Engle was one of the first Amish bishops west of Ohio. He lived and died in Illinois and served the partridge district there, now Mennonite.

edition of the Enchiridion of Dirk Philipps (1802) for the Alsacian Churches. He also proposed to Pierre Rich a walk in the mountains from Bernese territory to Hochberg in the

Breisgau.

Jacques Klopfenstein (stanza 14) was not less important. He had less humor. Maybe also his religion was a bit frightening. Did not he belong to the Belfort town council, against all of the Anabaptist traditions? 3He left his fields to be devoted to religious activities. But his famous "Almanach" is not useful to the organization of the churches. He was very kind and hospitable.

The next name Christian Gingerich evokes a more religious and anabaptist activity. This original member of the German-Lorraine assembly played the same part as Christian Engel in trying to get the military service exemption for the Mennonites. He came to Paris with him in 1808. He had signed the Ordnungsbrief June 18, 1808. One sees his name

again in the petitions in 1811, 1814 and 1829.

The original member of Bildhauserhof, Joseph Fritz (stanza 16) also signed the Ordnungsbrief in 1808. Michel Engel did the same. We find him in the meeting in Wintling in April 28, 1811. He also wrote frequently to Peirre Rich (stanza 34).

Two facts are important in the description of the Mennonite meetings and their personalities. First, the French Anabaptists keep contacts with the foreign anabaptists. They stay in touch with their Swiss, Palatinate and other German brothers. But the political situation under

Napoleon disturbs this relationship.

The second important fact is the Mennonites moral values. They were aware of their religious responsibilities and of the Anabaptist message. But the next generations were not so good at this because they were less prepared. And also, the leaders became "specialists of God" while the lay members became inactive and inefficient. Here is a second reason that the younger members are losing control of their own destiny.

Let's sum up the information given by the past—in the early 19th Century, the French Anabaptist churches are religious and very virtuous—and there are many relations between French and foreign churches, but the original Amish were the only active ones. Here are the first signs of degredation that lasted until 1900 which had started around 1840.

'3While the author does not attribute Jacob Klopfenstein, an Anabaptist himself, the name is typical among the Alsation Amish and appears frequently in the eighteenth-nineteenth century Gemeinde Register among baptisms and marriages.

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A Count from other sources gives us more. Rabers Almanac lists 12 ordained men, who in general caculation, could well represent up to over 100 Amish Swartzentruber families in America.

As in many other families the intense blood line factor is much higher than the name itself, in both former and present American Amish Church districts. This can best be attested, when we turn to the Genealogical index, (by Beulah Hostetler and John Hopkins) which lists 253 Schwartzentrubers and 654 Swartzentrubers. While these figures do not actually count Amish families from former family histories, they do however, show a high rate of general association of Schwartzentruber-Swartzentruber family ties to Amish Church circles in America.

In calculating a certain family progeny, it must be remembered that the family name itself accounts only for paternal offspring. In many cases the maternal offspring is of equeal, or even greater, importance. With this family however, the maternal line progeny to present day Amish districts may not be as widespread as in many other Fatherland families. Later immigration is one reason and in the third generation or in the prime of American establishment, many have allied with more progressive ranks. Unfortunatly we do not have access to the "Iowa settled" Swartzentruber family history. From early family records of Jacob Schwartzentruber, who first lived in Berks and Lancaster Counties of Pennsylvania we collect intermarriages to more trace family names as Roth, Schmidt, Sommer, Gascho, Yantzi, Kennel, Oesch, Wagler and Lies which are mainly early Canadian Amish names. Better known western Amish names as Bender, Brenneman, Gingerich, Helmuth, Graber and Schrag are incorperated to the family. The Schwartzen-

## The Schwartzentrubers in Europe

The name likely originates in the Emmanthal of Bern, Switzerland. Some sources maintain that the original name was Schwartzentraub, meaning black grape, who some attribute the name to a person who was occupied with that product. A more logic theory however, appears that the family originates from Trub, a hamlet in the Canton of Bern.

Hans Schwartzentrub from Trub, Switzerland, is listed among a group of 40 families, on one ship who were banished, for their faith, from the land, to be deported in 1711. From the Emmanthaler ship list that reached Holland we find that he with Hans Zahn, Daniel Rothenbuhler, Daniel Neukomm, Samuel Reber of Trub, disembarked at Mannheim, Germany. (Ernst Muller p. 307). It is believed that he met again with some of his brethren in Waldeck, Germany, which is the haven from which all or nearly all, our Schwartzentrubers spring from.

As we return to the four ship load of Swiss Mennonite refugees who have now reached Holland, (except those who escaped enroute), we are informed (by Muller) that most of those who reached Holland were of the Ammanisch Partie. Most of the Reist Partie refused to embark or left the ships in the Palatinate. On August 3, 1711, a list of 340 refugees was handed to Benning in Holland. Of these 150 were children and 100 were

woman. (Ernst Muller).

From this group a Sweitzer Church was established in Groninger, Deventer, Kampen and Sappemeer. Here we note that those of this group that established a church in the Netherlands and Northern German, although known to be of the Ammanisch Partei, were not called Amish, rather they were known as Zweitzer Brethren or Mennonites.

While their brethren in Holland gave them fine hospitality, this mass immigration laid a burden on their shoulders. Besides food and clothing, homes and work must be provided for these poor Sweitzers. It was fortunate for them that a canal was being dug from the Zuider Zee, through Holland mainland to the Vechte Rive Germany, a stretch of about 35 english miles. This project provided work for many of the refugees for at least a few years.

It was from this group of Swiss refugees that small and scattered Amish congregations sprang in the

Netherlands and North Germany and Prussia. Already in 1711, Benedict Brechbuhl, a Swiss Anabaptist Ambassador, was personally negotiating with the king of Prussia to admit a settlement of Swiss refugees into the land. The king invited a settlement and directed Brechbuhl to a moor, which they could lease. He at once inspected it on his return route, being well pleased with the good appearance of the fertile land and the opportunity, he delivered the good news to his brethren in Holland, but the Sweitzer refused the offer at first. Brechbuhl, however persuaded a few to go in time, to establish a church there. This settlement was for some reason short lived, by 1723 it was extinct.

It was in this time, (1711-1727) that a comparable small number of these Sweitzers emigrated to America. Because in this time Swiss or German immigrants were not required to register at American ports, there are no existing shiplists of them. In the archives of Amsterdam are letters of Benedict Brechbuhl to port authorities, requesting leave and transportation aid for those who wanted to go. These are the only known documents that exist concerning those that immigrated in that period. An article on these letters may appear in next month's Diary.

According to the law of nature these Sweitzer settlements in Holland needed to expand as they grew. The Netherlands were already heavy populated with Mennonites. It is known that the old Flemish Mennonites there, have become quite progressive by this time, perhaps there were now more Mennonite merchants than farmers. Some were operating sea industries and became quite wealthy. The limited scope of land in these small countries did not afford ample space for a growing number of refugees. It is also known that the Sweitzer Church at Groninger became lax in Doctrine, (see Ein Alter Brief, John D. Hochstetler 1926] had arrived an acute disorder by 1781, and likely disbanded, or joined the Mennonites around the turn of the century. The more Orthodox Zweitzers began to spread into neighboring regions.

The Netherlands are bounded to the east and north by the great seas. To the sought was Belguim, who had expelled the Mennonites for about a century before, and did not tolerate Anabaptist refugees. The Sweitzers could only expand one way, that is east or southeast. Eastward lay Hannover, Westphalia and southeast was Hesse, the major states of northern Germany. These were both governed by strong Protestant ruling. Located interior these larger states were small principalities who, like those in the Pfalz were independant and more apt to receive this defenceless refugee stock. It was in these small states of Waldeck and Lippe that an Orthodox Sweitzer Church found a haven of rest for over a century.

## The Waldeck Church

Waldeck was a small principality in North Central Germany, (see map) it was independent until the administration was turned over to Prussia. In 1918 it became a free state again.

Although we have no date to when this church was established, it likely began early in the second quarter of the eighteenth century. A Naamlyst of the ministers 1766-1810 exists, as evidence to at least two Sweitzer

Church Districts, namely Wittgenstein and Belleburg. The Naamlyst reports ministers as Michael Gungerich, Johannes Shanebeck, Christian Gungerich, Hans Konig, Christian Jungerich Jr. and Bantz Schwartzentruber. Mennonite Encyclopedia, vol. IV p. 873.

From the research of J. Virgil Miller we can add Hans Schwartzentruber as elder from 1773 to 1787. Christian Gungerich, Hinnighausen, im Waldeckischen is mentioned in Ein Alter Brief, p. 26. From a church witness letter that Georg Petersheim brought to America (recently found) we can add Jacob Gungerich and Daniel Holly. These ministers signed the letter in 1810.

There is evidence that this Waldeck Sweitzer community was well established and that it was strong in Doctrine. In 1797 the church published a catichism. The title page reads, published by Die Christliche Gemeinde Waldeckischen Welche Mennonisten genannt werden. The introduction reads, we elders and ministers of the Mennonite Church who live in Hesse and Waldeck, have united to publish anew this catechism. Mennonite Encyclopedia, vol. IV, p. 873.

It is clear to observe that they were not confined to the Waldeck proper, rather they srpead across its border into the larger states. From Georg Petersheim documents it is clear that they, with perhaps other Brethrn, lived in Lippe which was also a small independant principality. His passport was issued by Hessen authorities, which makes it probable that the Lippe Brethren were regarded as Hessans in the introduction of the catechism.

In summary it becomes reasonable to believe that Hans Swartzentruber of Trub, Bern, was the progenitor of the Schwartzentrubers in Waldeck. It is likely that he met his Switzer Brethren again in Holland or that he with the other Brethren who disembarked at Mannheim found refuge in Waldeck and established the church there. In all probability the Waldeck Schwartzentrubers are the forebearers of our American Schwartzentrubers, as we have no other record of this family in Bern, Alsace or the Pfaltz. Other families who came to America from Waldeck are Gungerich, Roth, Shanebeck, Otto, Brenneman, Bender and Shetler. Many of these first settled in eastern Pennsylvania but permanently settled in Somerset County and Ontario. Note: The information of the Waldeck Church was uncovered during research of the Petersheim family history. A book of the descendants of Georg and Christina [Nissly] Petersheim will be released within a

month. It contains family histories of many more families of Waldeck. [see our bookshelf].

#### The Schwartzentrubers in America

Jacob Schwartzentruber came to Berks County as a young man where he met and married Catherine, daughter of John and Barbara (Stoltzfus) Schmucker. They bought a farm just north of Reading, which they held until they moved to Canada. It is known however that they lived in Lampeter Township, Lancaster County early in the 1800s and perhaps moved from there to Canada. From there they moved to western states where they died.

A family record of Christian, the father of Jacob was made available by Lorraine Roth, Kitchner, Canada

# The Christian and Magdalena [Shoenbeck] Schwartzentruber Family

The first son of Christian and Magdalena (Shoenback) Schwartzentruber was Christian, born 1765.

2-1. Christian, married II Catherine Roth

3-1. Christian S. - Phylizen Rudolph

3-2. Magdalena S. - Joseph D. Bender

3-8. Jacob S. - Barbara Eash, widow of Peter Gingerich.

The second son was Jacob Schwartzentruber. born

1771, died 1837.

2-2. Jacob married Catherine Schmucker, born in 1778.

3-1. Veronica S. - John Erb.

3-2. Catherine S. - Joseph Jacobs.

3-3. Jacob S. - Catherine Roth.

3-4. John S. - Barbara Birkey, II Catherine Erb.

3-5. Barbara S. — John Schmidt

3-6. Christian S. - Magdalena Schultz, remarried Henry Schumm.

Family of John (1796) and Veronica (1805) (Schwartzentruber) Erb.

Jacob Erb — Catherine Steinman

John Erb, 1829 — Susan Schwartzentruber.

Barbara Erb, 1931 - John Gascho, remarried another Barbara Erb.

Christian Erb — Mary Litwiller.

Joel Erb. (1835), - Barbara Lichti, II Catherine Gingerich.

Veronica Erb (1840), died young.

Menno Erb — Lenoi (Gerber) Lichti, widow of John

Family of Jacob and Catherine (Roth) Schwartzentruber.

John — Anna Summers.

Magdalena — Peter K. Roth.

Catherine — Daniel Helmuth.

Jacob not married.

Mary — Joseph Wagler.

Christian — Annie Baechler.

Joel — Veronica Erb, II Catherine Yantzi.

Menno — Leah Schrag, II Mary Brunk.

Nicholas not married.

Veronica — Menno Leis.

Daniel - Magdalena Brennemen.

Family of John Schwartzentruber m. I Barbara Birkey, II Catherine Erb.

Christian — Leah Oesch.

Jacob — Phillipine Erb.

Magdalena — Rudolph Oesch.

Catherine — Jacob Oesch.

John — Anna Oesch.

Family of John and Anna (Oesch) Schwartzentruber.

Daniel — — — . Elizabeth — Peter Graber.

Fannie -- Simon Gingerich.

Barbara — Ephraim Graber.

Family of Christian and Magdalena (Schultz) Schwartzentrube:

Joseph — Mattie Roth.

Menno - Moyer.

Magdalena - Christian Kenrel

Veronica - John Leis.

Mary - Menno Boshart.

The third son was Michael Schwartzentruber, born April 15, 1777, died August 28, 1852.

2-3. Michael Schwartzentruber married Barbara Oswald, born June 1796, died November 29, 1852.

3-1. Christian S. (single), born Jan. 11, 1816, died June 3, 1873.

3-2. Catherine S. - Joseph Schrag.

3-3. Mariah S. - Peter Gardner.

3-4. Magdalena S. born on ocean, June 6, 1823 - John G. Schrag.

3-5. Barbara S. - Christian Gingerich.

3-6. Michael S. - Barbara Erb.

3-7. Margaret S. - Peter Gingerich.

3-8. Veronica S. - Peter Erb.

3-9. Verbine S. - Jacob Roth

3-10. Joseph S. - Marie Kuipfer

The fourth son was Casper Schwartzentruber.

Casper Swartzentruber lived and died in the Conestoga Valley, east of Churchtown, Pennsylvania. He is buried, with his wife, in a small graveyard along present route 23, one mile east of Churchtown. He was a noteworthy member, one who the ministry often sought council of, especially in times of discourse when clouds of discinity hung over the valley. Conestoga Church records show that he served in the lot of ordination many times.

Another Jacob Schwartzentruber (1800-1868) came to America from Waldeck, Germany, where he was ordained to the ministry. In 1833 he migrated to America, vea Baltimore, he settled in Somerset County, Pennsylvania and shortly afterwards moved to Garrett County, Maryland. In 1851 he moved to Johnson County, Iowa, being the first Amish bishop in that part of the state. After his death in 1865 two sons, Joseph and Frederick succeeded him in the high office of two districts there. Mennonite Encyclopedic dictionary by

Daniel Kauffman, p. 366.

Jacob F. Swartzentruber, (1851-1924) son of Frederick, was born in Johnson County, Iowa and in 1871 married Elizabeth Bender. He was ordained to the ministry in 1878, bishop in 1887. He served the Lower Deer Creek Church until it united with the Amish Mennonites in 1915. He then moved to Lyons County and later to Oregon. He was an outstanding church leader and editor of Herold der wahrheit for two years. He had a wide knowledge of scripture and a wealth of information, concerning his day as well as possessions he had of his grandfather Jacob, who came from Germany. Among these was a schedule of church services, where and when they were held, who administered the services and sermons as well as marriage and baptism records. He was buried in the Lower Deer Creek graveyard, near Kalona, Iowa. Mennonite Encyclopedia, volume IV, p. 667.

Many more Swartzentrubers could be listed. In a summary it could be said that there were many ministers and bishops in the family. They were devout and aggressive church leaders. During the perilous time of 1865-1877, a period of great unrest in the Amish churches from west to east, Jacob Swartzen ruber was relied upon by the senior bishops of the east o support them the ways of their fathers, to reinstate conclusions of the older bishops at diennerversammlungen in America and in Europe, which Jacob always had records of or knowledge to. This can be assumed in a letter from Jacob Swartzentruber to bishop David Beiler. During the civil war he wrote commentatory letters to various bishops, expressing great concern toward the young men who were paying or buying themselves out of the military. These were based on scripture as well as on the faith of the fathers who were persecuted in Europe.

In spite of the general rule, that most of the late immigration stock that came from Amish background in Europe soon developed more progressive views in America and adhered to Mennonite congregations early, this orthodox waldeck element did not cease when they came to America. The Swartzentrubers possessed a more conservitive hold, in many cases, when church divisions occurred. Perhaps nowhere do they show their native color more than in Holmes-Wayne County, Ohio. When, in 1913, disunity arose, concerning doctrine and discipline practises. Bishop Sam Yoder chose a conservative standard. Lingering unrest continued in this conservative movement until about a decade later S. J. Swartzentruber and Levi Swartzentruber led the conservative movement to establish what is known as the Swartzentruber church. It now consists of about 16 districts in Ohio, besides a few in Tennessee and one district at Chesley, Ontario, Canada.



Apocrypha

Swiss Brethren, he may have been aware that he was preparing the Truth for the quiet and lowly, or in another sense his own position must be kept quiet and low in critical vorred he gives fine and appropriate explanations of special interest to those of Anabaptist heritage. He acknowledges the fact that the apocrypals is not to be esteemed alike the Original Hebrew or Old Order Books. "They are Albeit useful, leads one to a honest and honorable life." Then he follows with a beautiful illistration of his motive in compiling these useful books. A picture of a face appears much clearer or brighter in a mirror than in water, but quiet, still water is better than sorrow and affection. His prediction here is probably saying that to live an honest and quiet life is better than fame which may lead to sorrow. On the other hand he may be releasing a reflection of his own state of mind. Since this seems to be the principle bible of the Anabaptists or times of persecution.

He continues about the nature of his selected books, many books are often blended with fiction and fable-like, nevertheless we do not want to despise anything that good and usefulness can be drawn from. And the grain [korn] shall not be cast away with the chaff, rather they shall be seperated. He concludes the paragraph with a saying of Paul.

As far as it is known there are only 3 editions of the Frohschour Bible. The original in 1536, second edition, printed at Straussburg in 1644, a third edition printed in America, at Ann Arbor, Mich., in 1975 by Amos B. Hoover, Denver, Pennsylvania in conjunction with Macmillen Hutterite Colony, Alberta, Canada. The Hutterites are the only people known to use it in worship service, today.



# Our Fatherland in America

## The Schwartzentruber Family



While this family history may rank a bit "out-of-place in the first series of "Our Fatherland" articles—that is, they belong to the late migration period, due to a request of the family, the abundant records that exist and their great importance and

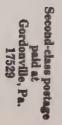
value they attribute to our present church body, we should not wait to proceed. It is also true that at least one Schwartzentruber has married to a member of a prominent "Fatherland" family and that they lived in the heart of the late Berks County church in the

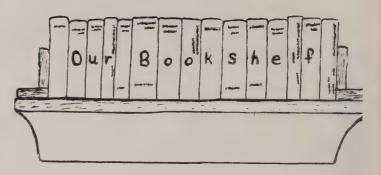
outskirts of the present city of Reading.

Although this family name ranks above a minority group in our society today it does not stand among the twenty most popular Amish names in America. In the Holmes County, Ohio and vicinity directory (1973), we have a count of 14 Swartzentruber families. Other major Amish directories list none. This low directory count cannot be used as a guideline to their popularity, because they have long since became detached from major settlements and are found in numbers in smaller settlements in Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Iowa, Michigan, Tennessee, Maryland, Deleware, Florida, Ontario, and western Pennsylvania. There are no known Old Order Swartentrubers east of the Appalachians, except Deleware. A few Swartzentruber families had settled in the former Amish community in Oregon.

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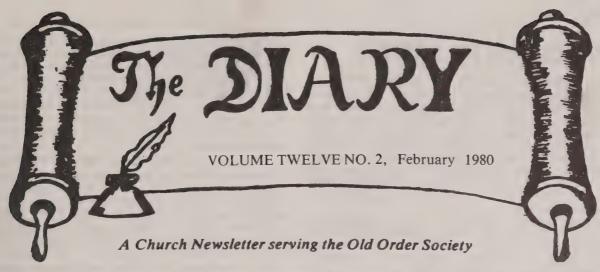
The family in its very prime, the oldest children growin tenderly into maidenhood, all at once, out of clear daylig it happened—the Indians came. The mother came home find her husband massacred, the building burnt, he darling daughters, Regina and Barbara were missing.

While the story continues of Regina and Barbara no living among the Indians, they were departed miles ar years away from their mother, their strong faith was no departed. By this faith Regina was again united with he mother, though not knowing each other they were draw together in the spirit of an old german hymn — "Allein ar doch nicht ganz allein."

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"Happy birds are singing in the sunlit air."

# **COMMUNITY NOTES**

#### Harmony, Minnesota - Man killed in Wind Mill Accident

Levi D. Miller, 29, was instantly killed on January 19 in p.m. while he was helping to take down a heavy wind mill. It seemed they didn't have it hooked to the boom high enough and he probably was helping to keep it in balance, when all at once it got top heavy and lifted him off the ground. He held on (the other fellow let loose then) and when the top end or moter hit the ground it gave a jerk and dropped him to the ground where he met death without a struggle. He had a badly broken neek and jaw, the left side of his head was broken, his chest was crushed and his left arm was broken. (See Obituary).

He was married to Anna, daughter of Dan J. A. Hershberger of Ohio, whose address is Route 2, Harmony, Minnesota 55939. I'm sure mail would be appreciated as the shock was so great, losing mother and youngest brother in less than a year. They were the

first ones to go the their reward from this settlement.

#### Dover, Delaware - Boy found dead in Crib

On February 14, Adam Troyer, almost a year old was found dead in his crip by his parents, Simon Troyer Jr., as they awoke in the morning. He is believed to have been sick with fever, but not serious enough to be greatly alarmed. His mother had fed him with the bottle at 11:00, but when the child fell to sleep the mother returned to bed. The doctor pronounced it crib death. An obit may follow. (See obituary).

## Harmony, Minnesota - Son dies of Pneumonia

Andy, 1, son of Jacob W. and Rebecca Swartzentruber passed away at 3:40 a.m. Monday. He had been very sick on Sunday and was taken to the hospital on Sunday evening. The doctor that examined him couldn't find anything seiously wrong and said it could be the flu. They think he died of pneumonia. (see obituary).

Leola, Penna. - Senior Member Dies

Rachel F. Stoltzfus, 85, late of Oakland, Maryland, died at the home of foster kin, Mrs. John Stoltzfus. She was the daughter of the late Samuel and Salomie (Beiler) Beiler. Her mother (Salomie) died when Rachel was 6 weeks old. She was then adopted by

Daniel Z. and Elizabeth (Lapp) Stoltzfus.

Rachel was the widow of Jonas L. Stoltzfus, formerly of Morgantown, Pennsylvania where most of their children were born. In the 1930's they moved to Dover, Delaware, where most of their children were married. They later moved to Oaklnad, Maryland where Jonas died. After John Stoltzfus, her brother by adoption, died she moved up to his wife, Annie. Annie lives in a section of the house on the farm where Rachel grew up. This is where Rachel lived the last 2 years of her life and where she died. She is buried beside her mother in Myers Cemetery.

Her children live in seven different states and one in Paraguay. They all attended the funeral. She is also survived by 53 grandchildren and 67 great-grandchildren. (see obituary).

#### Gordonville, Pennsylvania - Senio Member dies

Samuel E. Stoltzfus, 89, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Aaron J. Glick, Bird-in-Hand, Pennsylvania.

He was a retired farmer and was preceded in death by two wives, Annie Smucker and Annie (Stoltzfus) Petersheim.

Born in Caernarvon Township, Lancaster County, a son of Bishop Samuel M. Stoltzfus he is survived by 66 grandchildren and 226 great grandchildren and 21 step grandchildren. (See obituary).

## Hazelton, Iowa - Minister suffers heart attack

Preacher Jonas Helmuth, 81, was admitted to the Delwein Hospital on February 21st, suffering a heart attach and a stroke. His left side, if I understand right, is partly paralized. It also affected his mind and speech, but he was improving to the extent that they had him out on a chair and starting to give exercises. They are hoping he can return to his home by this week end.

#### Bloomfield, Iowa - Boy meets second accident in a year

In January, Jonas 15, son of David G. and Ella (Bontrager) Yutzy went to the neighbors after dark to let them know their cows are out. The neighbors were loading beans from a bin to a truck and he someway got tangled in the auger which broke his one leg in 3 or 4 places. The actual happening isn't very clear to me but thus we were informed. He was a rather downhearted boy as he had an accident last summer resulting in a badly broken arm when he had a runaway on the road because of a car swerving out in front of the horses and scaring them.

Magdalena, 17, daughter of Henry Hochstedlers was in the hospital with pnemonia and the day she came home Alvin D. Yutzy, married to Noami Wagler, went to the hospital with rehumatic fever.

#### - Man Cuts face in Chain Saw Accident

Daniel D. Yoder went to the hospital for a 11/2 hour surgery on his face due to a chain saw accident when he was sawing overhead. It cut down an eyebrow, took a dab of skin off the eyelid and cut several long gashes in cheek. Thankfully his eye seems O K as they got him to read before doing surgery. He went in yesterday, February 29 (the same day Alvin D. Yutzy came home) and are hoping to have him home today or tomorrow.

#### Millersburg, Ohio - Boy undergoes brain operation

Daniel Barkman, 17, son of Mr. and Mrs. Menno Barkman was operated on of a ruptured blood vessel at the brain. It was leaking and he was in a coma for a while. At this writing he is at home and doing fine. He was in the hospital at the time of his grandfather's funeral, David D. Barkman. They lived at the same place.

#### Belleville, Pennsylvania - Man hurt in logging accident

Jonathan Swarey received a badly broken leg on February 5 in a logging accident. He was dragging logs when one swung and rolled on his leg. Both bones were broken, one bone crushed. He was in the hospital a little more than 1 week. A plate and screws were put in his leg. He has splints and gets around on crutches. Doctors are well pleased with the progress he is making.

## Shipshewana, Indiana - Man hurt in loging accident

Herman, 24, son of Bishop Dan A. and Ida (Bontrager) Miller, employed by Indiana Wood Products, was getting ready to chain tie a log to the truck bed when the log rolled and fell on him, fracturing the pelic bone in 5 places and a dislocated hip. This happened near Argos, Indiana and was taken to a hospital in Plymouth, Indiana and transferred to St. Joseph Hospital in South Bend. He was in intensive care for a few days. He has had much pain but was improving as well as could be expected. This happened on February 14. He is married to Edna, daughter of Ammon J. and Katie Bontrager and have 2 small children. Home address is R1, Shipshewana, Indiana.

#### Searcy, Arkansas - Man is hurt with air nailer

Mervin Schmucker of Bronson, Michigan is visiting with his brother and wife in this area at present. While staying here he is

employed at Shetler's Pallet Shop.

On January 29th they had a little accident. The air nailer started coming apart, and while some of the boys were trying to fasten it again, with out removing the airhose, it started shooting nails of its own accord. One of them went through 2 fingers of Mervin Schmucker's hand, just missing bones. He was treated and released at the local hospital. He seems to be coming along fine and is back to work.

#### Danville, Pennsylvania - Boy hurt in car-buggy accident

Benuel S., 18, son of Benual and Arie Fisher was hit by a car on the way home of a singeon on February 3. They were both thrown out, and the buggy got smashed up pretty well, but nobody hurt badly except for a few cuts and got stiff and sore. Hannah, daughter of Benual and Fannie Stoltzfus (the girl that was along) wasn't in school the next week. She teaches at Lycoming County.

#### Ashtabula County, Ohio - House Fire

The house of Jake J. Mast was badly damaged by fire caused by an overheated oil stove. They are presently living in a trailer that is on a farm where they work.

#### Burton, Ohio - House Fire

The house of Eli Yoder was damaged by fire. The fire was blamed on a new installed stove, installed with a crock going to the chimney. After water and a neighbors' fire estingluisher failed to outen the fire, the fire department was called, who soon had the fire under control. The damage was minor except for water and smoke.

#### Quarryville, Pennsylvania - House fire

The double house of Elam King caught fire in an upstairs room. The fire was blamed on candles the children failied to blow out before they went to school. The fire was not noticed until 4:00 p.m. while Mrs. King was away shopping. The fire trucks saved the structure and the damage was mostly confined to a few rooms except smoke and water damage. The other end of the house was hardly damaged.

#### Saltillo, Ohio - Sawmill burns

The sawmill of Erwin A. Raber was destroyed by fire on a Sunday night. The fire was of undetermined origin.

#### New Bedford, Ohio - Milk truck rams into barn

On the farm of Eli H. Yoder an unusual accident occured. A big milk truck rammed through the barn doors, smashing against machinery, forcing a wagon, drill, and hay rake into the straw mow before it stopped. The conshocten County Sherriff found that during the night someone had stolen a milk truck from the Farmerstown Chese Plant. Investigation showed that the truck ran through the fields and fences first. Appearantly the driver engaged the gear and power to the truck and jumped out.

#### Jamesport, Missouri - Buggy accident

Mrs. Lydia Dickerhoff and two daughters were bruised when they were thrown out of their buggy. Their horse became scared while driving through Jamesport on Sunday, on their way to church. The horse tore loose from the buggy but was soon caught again.

#### Nappanee, Indiana - Lad is treated for poison

Aaron Jay, 2, son of Walter Jr. and Eva (Kemp) Borkholder was treated in the hospital. He got hold of aut poison they had stored on a shelf. After his stomack was pumped out he was released after a few days of rest and is doing fine.

#### Mercer, Pennsylvania - Skating accident

Jacob, son of Joe J. and Betty Mast was enjoying skating when he fell and bumped his head, results are a concussion. He was getting better at last reports.

#### - Community Notes

Amanda, small daughter of John D. and Saloma Kurtz had a few days stay at the hospital. She had, or nearly had, pneumonia, also anemic if reports are correct.

Quite a few people are having the flu and some have quite a time to get over it, including Naomi, wife of David A. Kurtz. She was slowly getting better after having for over 4 weeks.

#### Branch County, Micigan - Community Note

Noah N. Eicher spent 3 days in the hospital with breathing problems caused from fluid pushing against his lungs. He was under oxygen and intervenaus for 1 whole day. Fifteen pounds of fluid were passed from him.

#### Cashton, Wisconsin - Community Note

Mrs. Toby Miller, Sara's leg seems to finally be healing since she put some raw potato shavings on it to draw out the infection, after she broke it already in Septemer 1978.

Sara (Perry) Miller spent a few days in the hospital with yellow jauntice last week, but is at home again but seems to have a poor appetite.

#### LeRaysville, Pennsylvania - Community Note

Menno M. Miller, 17, son of Mose S. and Elizabeth Miller was admitted to Towanda Memorial Hospital on February 19th, where he underwent an appendix operation the same day. It was not ruptured. Reports are he was released again on the 25th.

#### Clinton County, Pennsylvania - Community Note

The Alvin Lapp farm has obtained a new owner by name of David Glick, which seems to point to another home for David and Annie Fisher, who just moved there in the past fall. It is not yet sure as to were they'll go. The Daniel King family joined our circle out her in East End Nittany at the Mark Stoltzfus farm, which they vacated in December and moved into a trailer.

A thought for the new month.... "sparkling conversation is made by filling the mouth with gems of thought.

#### Clymer, New York - Community Notes

Edna, wife of John Weaver was taken to hospital on the 18th and had a gall bladder operation on the 20th. She is now home and coming along fine.

# BIRTHS

Conewango Valley, New York Raber, Abe N. (Mattie Miller) a son Harvey, Feb. 7. Yoder, Joe J. (Amanda Hostetler) a stillborn dau. Lydiann, Feb. 7.

#### Nittany Valley, Pennsylvania

King, Jonas (Priscilla Beiler) #2 Bellefonte, a dau. Katie Mae, Feb. 1. Stoltzfus, Ben (Linda Zook) #2 Bellefonte, a dau. Elizabeth, Feb. 16.

#### Montour County, Pennsylvania

Hertzler, David (Sylvia Peachy) #3 Danville, a son Emanuel, Feb. 9. Stoltzfus, Isaac E. (Annie Fisher) #1 Bloomsburg, a son Jacob, Feb.

#### Lebanon County, Pennsylvania

Lantz, Amos G. (Katie Lapp) #7 Lebanon, a son Eli, Feb. 3. Lapp, Moses S. (Ruth Fisher) #2 Myerstown, a son Ammon, Feb. 5.

Bradford County, Pennsylvania

Mast, Andy (Barbara Byler) #2 LeRaysville, a dau. Martha, Jan. 28.

#### Lancaster County, Pennsylvania

Allgyer, Stephen (Rebecca Stoltzfus) #1 Gap, a dau. Anna S., Jan. 28. Beiler, David Z. (Katie Kauffman) 107 Pond Rd., Ronks, a dau. Feb.

Beiler, Marcus B. (Sara E. Beiler) #2 Holtwood, a dau. Feb. 9. Esh, Ben F. (Barbara K. Glick) #1 Paradise, a son Samuel G., Jan. 18. Esh, Daniel S. (Annie H. Beiler) #2 Ronks, a dau. Leah Ruth, Jan. 12. Esh, John F. (Susie Esh) #2 Ronks, a son Benuel E., Feb. 28. Fisher, Aaron L. (Sarah S. Miller) #1 Ronks, a dau. Mary, Feb. 13. Fisher, Benuel S. (Fannie Blank) #1Strasburg, a son Kore James, Feb.

Fisher, Christ (Naomi Dienner) Gordonville, a son Benuel D., Feb. 5. Fisher, David B. (Barbara Lapp) Gordonville, a dau. Mary L., Feb. 10.

Fisher, Isaac L. (Barbara Esh) Gordonville, a dau. Lena, Feb. 23. Fisher, John E. (Annie Stoltzfus) #1 Ronks, a son Leon Jay, Feb. 22. Fisher, Levi L. (Sarah K. Beiler) #1 Kirkwood, a son Jonas K., Feb.

Fisher, Omar E. (Sally Ann Yoder) Lancaster, a dau. Linda, Feb. 16. Kauffman, John E. (Lavina Lapp) #2 Christiana, a son John E. Jr.,

Feb. 20. King, John A. (Emma Esh) #1 Kinzers, a dau. Elsie E., Feb. 8.

Lapp, Amos K. (Naomi K. Esh) #1 Ronks, a son John E., Feb. 15. Lapp, Jesse (Barbara Lapp) Ronks, a son Joseph, Feb. 15.

Lapp, Phares (Hannah Riehl) Ronks, a son Lester, Feb. 12.

Miller, Jacob L. (Katie E. Blank) #1 Bird-in-Hand, a son John B., Feb.

Petersheim, Christ S. (Katie Beiler) #1 Bird-in-Hand, a son John, Feb.

Riehl, Stephen S. (Elizabeth B. Esh) #1 Atglen, a son, Feb. 27. Smucker, David B. (Naomi Esch) Lancaster, a son Daniel, Feb. 10. Stoltzfus, Aaron E. (Sarah Esh) Leola, a dau., Sarah E., Feb. 18. Stoltzfus, Alvin (Annie Dienner) Kinzers, a son Benuel Marcus, Feb.

Stoltzfus, Amos J. (Barbara Beiler) Ronks, a son Amos J. Jr., Feb. 27. Stoltzfus, Amos K. (Emma Stoltzfus) #1 Christiana, a dau. Annie S., Feb. 7.

Stoltzfus, Amos L. (Sarah Glick) #1 Bird-in-Hand, a son Gideon, Feb.

Stoltzfus, Amos Jr. (Lydia Mae Zook) #1 Christiana, a son, Feb. 16. Stoltzfus Daniel J. (Katie B. Zook) #2 Honeybrook, a son Ephraim Z.,

Stoltzfus, Henry M. (Lizzie E. King) Leola, a son David, Feb. 12. Stoltzfus, Henry U. (Anna Stoltzfus) #2 Honey Brook, a son Ervin Ray, Jan. 19.

Stoltzfus, Jacob (Sadie K. Beiler) Bird-in-Hand, a son Abner, Feb. 16. Stoltzfus, John M. (Barbara Fisher) Leola, a son, Joseph, Feb. 26. Stoltzfus, John M. (Lizzie S. Blank) #1 Bird-in-Hand, a son Levi B.,

Jan. 5. Stoltzfus, John U. (Mary Petersheim) Bird-in-Hand, a dau. Malinda,

Feb. 11. Stoltzfus, Joshua L. (Emma F. Stoltzfoos) #2 Quarryville, a son Benjamin, Feb. 25.

Stoltzfus, Michael (Barbara Ann King) #2 Narvon, a dau. Sadie Ann, Feb. 22.

Stoltzfus, Sylvan F. (Rebecca K. King) New Providence, a dau. Martha, Feb. 15.

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Look, David A. (Malinda B. Zook) #1 New Holland, a son Stevie, Feb.

Zook, Samuel K. (Susie King) #4 Quarryville, a dau. Emma, Feb. 14.

Dover, Delaware

Mast, Eli E. Jr. (Sarah N. Mast), Wyoming R1, a dau. Dena, Feb. 3 Miller, Atlee A. (Barbara King), Dover R2, a dau. Laura, Feb. 26 Miller, Henry H. Jr. (Linda Yoder), Wyoming R1, a dau. Lena, Feb. 8 Troyer, David S. (Lena Yoder), Dover R2, a son David Jr., Feb. 24 Troyer, Simon III (Sylvia Byler), Hartley R1, a dau. Barbara, Feb. 8

Mifflintown, Pennsylvania

Renno, Gideon L. (Salina Yoder) #2, a son Noah Naaman, Feb. 16.

Mifflin County, Pennsylvania

Kanagy, Menno (Mary Swarey) Belleville, a dau. Annie, Feb. 22. Peachey, Andrew (Barbara Peachey) Belleville, a son Israel, Feb. 6. Peachey, Samuel R. (Elizabeth Kanagy) Belleville, a son Samuel, Feb.

Adams County, Pennsylvania

Hostetler, Steve (Mary Stoltzfus) #1 Gettysburg, a dau. Rebecca, Feb. 5.

Somerset County, Pennsylvania

Fisher, Levi B. (Effie P. Yoder) Salisbury, a dau. Anna Dora, Feb. 6. Peachey, Roy S. (Miriam H. Kinsinger) Grantsville, Md., a son Roy Jr., Feb. 9.

Yoder, Rufus Y. (Drusilla H. Kinsinger) Grantsville, Md., a son Yost, Feb. 16.

Crawford County, Pennsylvania

Coblentz, Menno J. (Clara Schlabach) #3 Conneautville, a son Leroy,

Troyer, Joe (Anna Troyer) #3 Conneautville, a dau. Susan, Feb. 15.

Southern Mercer County, Pennsylvania

Byler, Abe A. (Sally J. Byler) #6 Mercer, a son Eli, Feb. 19.

Byler, Ben K. (Ada S. Byler) #1 New Wilmington, a son Sam, Feb. 12. Byler, Henry S. (Mattie J. Wengerd) #2 West Middlesex, a son Eli, Feb. 16.

Wengerd, John J. (Katie D. Troyer) #2 New Wilmington, a son Dan, Feb. 18.

Mercer County, Pennsylvania

Byler, Joe B. (Edna Troyer), a son Melvin, Feb. 24 Byler, John A. (Mary Coblentz), a dau. Elsie, Feb. 24 Coblentz, Andy D. (Emma Kempf), a son David, Feb. 3

Geauga County, Ohio

Byler, Alvin A. (Mary Miller) Middlefield, a son Daniel.

Byler, Chris A. (Nancy Kurtz) Middlefield, a dau. Laura, Feb. 19.

Byler, Freeman D. (Ada Miller) Middlefield, a dau., Feb. 15. Byler William (Sarah Ann Byler) Winsor, a dau., Jan. 12.

Fisher, Ervin (Naomi Slabaugh) Middlefield, a dau. Jan. 26.

Hershberger, Chester (Malinda Shetler) Middlefield, a dau., Jan.

Hershberger, Dan (Byler) Middlefield, a child.

Hershberger, Owen (Ada Farmwalt) Middlefield, a dau. Martha, Jan. 19.

Kauffman, Enos (Esther Miller) Middlefield, a dau. Mary.

Kurtz, Melvin (Betty Byler) Middlefield, a son Albert, Feb. 1.

Kauffman, John (Yoder) Middlefield, a son, Feb. 17.

Miller, Allen A. D. (Miller) Middlefield, a dau. Sara Mae, Jan. 3.

Miller, Eli E. Jr. (Barbara Kauffman) Middlefield, a dau. Mary, Jan.

Miller, Harvey (Barbara Slaubach) Middlefield, a dau. Ida, Jan. 28.

Miller, James (Emma Byler) Middlefield, a dau. Barbara.

Miller, John J. Jr. (Betty Troyer) Mespo, a dau. Saloma, Feb. 2.

Miller, John (Maryann Schmucker) Middlefield, a dau. Maureen, Jan.

Schmucker, Mr. and Mrs. Ray E., Parkman, a son, Jan. 23.

Stutzman, Jonas (Sally Miller) Middlefield, a dau.

Troyer, Mose (Lydia Coblentz) Middlefield, a dau. Carol, Jan. 13.

Troyer, Owen (Naomi Byler) Middlefield, a dau.

Weaver, Jake (Sarah Bricker) Middlefield, a son.

Yoder, Andy J. (Nancy J. Miller) Middlefield, a son Andy Jr., Jan. 24.

Yoder, Allen (Miriam Miller) Middlefield, a sonMark, Jan. 26.

Yoder, Lester (Martha Miller) Middlefield, a dau. Mary, Feb. 4.

Wayne Councy, Ohio

Hershberger, Andy C. (Esta Weaver), Dundee, a son Norman, Jan. 30 36

Troyer, Ben D. (Mary Miller), Apple Creek, a son David, Jan. 12 Yoder, Dan E. (Saloma Mast), R2 Dalton, a son Demas, Feb. 3

Holmes County, Ohio

Mast, Eli J. (Ada Mae Troyer) a dau. Clara, Feb. 15.

Miller, Allen N. (Calista Shrock) #1 Sugarcreek, a dau. Ruby, Feb. 19.

Miller, Eli R. (Saloma Miller) #1 Baltic, a son Junior, Feb. 12. Miller, Jonas B. (Vera Garber) #2 Sugarcreek, a son Micheal Allen,

Feb. 17.

Raber, Mr. and Mrs. Abe P., #1 Baltic, a dau. Ada, Feb. 3. Schlabach, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin D., #3 Millersburg, a son Paul.

Schrock, Allen (Betty Wengerd) #5 Millersburg, a son Nathaniel, Mar.

Yoder, Mr. and Mrs. Aden M. C., #1 Baltic, a dau. Ida, Jan. 30.

Yoder, Firmen (Shirley Beachy) #1 Sugarcreek, a son Dean, Feb. 14.

Yoder, Jonas J. L. (Mabel Hershberger) #1 Baltic, a son John, Feb. 6. Yoder, Levi M. (Fannie Yoder) #1 Sugarcreek, a dau. Clara, Feb. 6.

Ashland County, Ohio

Brenneman, Willie (Anna H. Miller), a son Mahlon, February Yoder, Ervin (Sarah R. Miller), a dau. Rosa, February 19

Allen County, Indiana

Brandenberger, Martin Jr. (Anna Schmucker), a dau. Laura, Feb. 19 Delagrange, Louis (Ruthann Graber), a son Lynn Wayne, Feb. 21 Graber, Mervin (Margaret Schwartz), a dau. Amy, Feb. 26

Miller, Daniel (Rosa Eicher), a dau. Clara, February

Miller, John (Susan Eicher), a dau. Margaret, in Feb. Miller, Lester (Kathyrn Brandenberger), a dau. Martha, Feb. 27

Miller, Samuel (Martha Lengacher), a son Steven, Feb. 3

Schmucker, Arthur (Lucy Miller), a son James A., Feb. 27

Adams County, Indiana

Girod, Emanuel L. (Emma E. Schwartz) a son Emanuel, Feb. 11.

Graber, Amos J. (Mandy Coblentz) a son David, Feb. 5.

Hilty, Menno J. (Elizabeth N. Schwartz) a son William, Feb. 1. Hilty, Menno M. (Rosie M. Schwartz) a son Menno, Jan.

Schwartz, Amos L. (Emma K. Schwartz) a son, Feb.

Schwartz, Menno N. (Fannie Christner) a son Menno, Feb. 2.

Shetler, Melvin (Marie C. Hilty) a son Norman, Feb. 27.

Troyer, Ernest C. (Edna V. Schwartz) a dau. Laura, Feb. 1. Wengerd, John N. (Rosie L. Wickey) a dau. Margaret, Feb. 3.

Wickey, Samuel E. (Mary J. Schwartz) a son, Feb. 20.

LaGrange County, Indiana

Bontrager, David (Anna Raber) a dau. Katie, Jan. 21.

Bontrager, Ernest (Martha Miller) Topeka, a dau. Erma Jean, Feb. 8. Bontrager, Freeman (Edna Graber) #1 Shipshewana, a son Ivan F.,

Feb. 7.

Bontrager, Freeman (Mary Troyer) LaGranger, a son Howard Lynn,

Bontrager, Freeman (Norma Fry) #2 Shipshewana, a son Jerry F., Feb. 19.

Bontrager, Olen (Wilma Bontrager) a dau. Treva O., Feb. 20.

Bontrager, Orva (Wilma Frey) #1 Shipshewana, a son Kenneth O., Dec. 28

Chupp, Vernon (Mattie Bontrager) Shipshewana, a son William. Jan. 30

Detweiler, Daniel (Sue Ann Hochstedler) #1 Shipshewana, a dau. Wilma Jean, Dec. 21.

Hershberger, Owen (Verna Yoder) RR LaGrange, a son Christie O.,

Hochstedler, Amos O. (Anna Fern Raber) #1 Shipshewana, a son John Henry, Dec. 23.

Hochstedler, Ernest (Linda Miller) #1 Shipshewana, a son David Wayne, Jan. 5.

Knepp, Glen E. (Minerva Hochstedler) #1 Shipshewana, a son Eugene, Dec. 23.

Hostetler, Alvin (Edna Miller) RR Ligonier, a son Ferman Devon,

Lambright, Richard (Mary Miller) RR Topeka, a son Ivan Lamar, Jan.

Lehman, Wilbur (Lizzie Miller) #2 Shipshewana, a son Paul W., Jan.

Miller, Daniel (Fannie Miller) #1 LaGrange, a sonLeroy D., Feb. 15. Miller, Isaac (Ruth Bontrager) Middlebury, a dau. Mary Ellen, Dec.

Miller, Joe N. (Katie Yoder) LaGrange, twin son, Jerry Devon and

John Dean, Dec. 19.

Miller, Joseph (Rosetta Hershberger) RR LaGrange, a dau. Lorene, Jan. 23.

Miller, Levi (Mattie Petersheim) a dau. Mary Ellen, Jan. 3.

Miller, Lloyd (Mary Ann Hochstedler) #1 Topeka, a son Ervin, Feb. Miller, Urias (Barbara Miller) RR LaGrange, a dau. Inez U., Feb. 22. Otto, David (Ruth Ann Yoder) #3 Middlebury, a dau. Kathryn, Feb. 9. Raber, Levi (Irene Miller) #1 Topeka, a dau. Suanna, Feb. 3.

Schwartz, Levi (Anna Gingerich) Shipshewana, a son Levi H. Jr.,

Feb. 17.

Stutzman, Joe (Lydia Ann Raber) a son Norman, Feb.

Troyer, David Jr. (Linda Yoder) a son Orla Daniel, Dec. 21. Weaver, Glen (Linda Hochstedler) a son Dewayne Lynn, Feb. 4.

Whitstone, Glen (Alma Hochstedler) #2 Topeka, a son Vernon G., Feb.

Yoder, John (Katie Miller) #4 LaGrange, a dau. Edna Sue, Feb. 12 Yoder, LeRoy (Betty Miller) RR Wolcottville, a dau. Ella Mae, Dec.

Yoder, Ora (Wilma Bontrager) #1 Shipshewana, a dau. Mabel O., Jan.

Nappanee, Indiana

Hochstetler, Raymond (Rosemary Miller) a son Reuben, Feb. 1. Helmuth, Merle (Nora Miller) a dau. Tressie, Feb. 5. Kurtz, Crist (Christena Borkholder) a dau. Laura Jean, Feb. 18. Slabaugh, John Dale (Becky Yoder) a dau. Elaine Kay, Feb. 8. Troyer. Eldon (Marietta Yoder) a dau. Rosanna, Feb. 10.

#### Daviess County, Indiana

Graber, Henry (Vera Wagler) Odon, a dau. Barbara, Feb. 12. Graber, Larry (Barbara Ann Wagler) Loogootee, a dau. Roselyn Kay,

Miller, Raymond (Clara Knepp) Plainville, a son Gerald Wayne, Jan.

Raber, Amos (Leah Yoder) Montgomery, a son Amos Jr., Feb. 17. Stoll, William (Mary Lou Graber) Loogootee, a son Benjamin, Feb. 1. Wagler, Francis (Margaret Graber) a son, Feb. 23. Wagler, Willard (Naomi Graber) Odon, a son John William, Feb. 3.

## Arthur, Illinois

Helmuth, Ernest (Katie Miller) a son Harley William, Feb. 2. Hochstetler, Lavern (Lorene Jess) a child, Feb. Kauffman, Kenneth (Anna Mast) a son George, Feb. 25. Kauffman, Nelson (Alta Mast) a son Steven, Feb. 18. Kauffman, Ben (Pauline Otto) a son Gary Eugene, Feb. 17. Schrock, Sam (Susie) a dau. Lily, Feb. 22.

Stutzman, Jake (Maryann Miller) a dau. Anna, Feb. 13. Yoder, Sylvan (Katie Ann) a dau. Carol Elaine, Feb. 4.

Yoder, Robert (Celesta) a dau. Rachel Lorene, Feb. 16.

Perry County, Tennessee

Glick, Enos (Esther Nolt), Lobelville R1, a dau. Edna, Feb. 28 Brubaker, Vernon (Mary Stauffer), Pleasantville, a son David, Feb. 16

### Haven, Kansas

Keim, Aden E. (Nettie Yoder), a dau. Carol, Feb. 5

Yoder, Glen D. (Lydia Bontrager), a dau. Carol Sue, Feb. 24

#### Pike County, Missouri

Burkholder, Johnny (Verna Schrock) Curryville, a dau. Leah, Feb. 18. Burkholder, Sammie (Magdalena Eicher) Curryville, a dau. Mary, Feb. 20.

Schwartz, Sam (Millie Borntrager) Bowling Green, a dau. Mattie,

Yoder, Jerry (Lydia Miller) New Hartford, a son Jacob, Feb. 3.

#### Webster County, Seymour, Missouri

Hilty, Sam S. (Elizabeth P. Schwartz) a son Christian, Feb. 20. Schwartz, Jake C. P. (Mattie E. Schwartz) a son Christian, Feb. 21.

#### Anabel, Missouri

Yoder, Ray L. (Edith Borntrager) #2 Macon, a dau. Fannie, Feb. 13.

#### Beebe, Arkansas

Graber, Lester (Rebecca Borntrager) a son Joseph J., Feb. 5.

#### Reno County, Partridge, Kansas

Yoder, Roman (Kathy Schrock) a son Mark, Feb. 3.

#### Buchanan County, Iowa

Hershberger, Noah (Susie Yoder) Hazelton, a dau. Sara, Feb. 15. Nisly, Emanuel (Elizabeth Helmuth) Fairbank, a son Roman, Feb. 19. Yutzy, David (Katie Shetler) Fairbank, a dau. Lizzian, Feb. Yutzy, John (Emma Miller) Fairbank, a dau. Loretta, Feb. 17.

#### Utica, Minnesota

Schwartz, Andy (Mattie Kauffman) a son Freeman, Feb. 24.

#### Harmony, Minnesota

Hershberger, Mose J. (Fannie) a son Jacob, Jan. 24. Stutzman, Emery C. (Anna D. Hershberger) a son Harvey, Feb. 6.

#### Blair, Wisconsin

Mast, Henry (Orpha Lambright) a son Freeman, Feb. 21.

#### Amherst, Wisconsin

Miller, Ervin (Katie Mae Schmucker) a dau. Edna, Jan. 27. Schmucker, Vernon (Fannie Borntrager) a dau. Martha, Jan. 13.

#### Wilton, Wisconsin

Borntreger, Eli E. (Martha Miller) a dau. Fannie, Feb. 3.

#### Cashton, Wisconsin

Miller, Toby J. (Sara G. Hershberger) a dau. Leah, Jan. 28.

#### Chetek, Wisconsin

Yoder, Joe F. (Elizabeth Miller), a dau. Anna, Feb. 20

Centreville, Michigan

Bontrager, Ben (Freida Miller), Centreville R1, a son William, Feb. 1 Eicher, Ezra (Gloria Yoder), Burr Oak R1, a son, Jan. 9 Miller, Joe (Mary Bontrager), Centreville R1, a son William, Jan. 21 Yoder, Merle I. (Shirley Ann Bontrager), Colon R1, a son Thaniel, Jan. 7

#### Bronson, Michigan

Schmucker, Edward (Edith Schrock) a son Ezra, Feb. 18.

#### Reading, Michigan

Ficher, Elmer (Esther Lengacher) Reading, a dau. Margaret, Feb. 21. Schwartz, Amos (Annie K. Schwartz) Hillsdale, a son Noah, Jan. 9.

#### Steuben County, Indiana

Wagler, Menno (Barbara N. Schwartz) Hamilton, Ind. a dau. Rosie, Feb. 1.

# **BAPTISMS**

Geauga County, Ohio

February 17, by Crist R. Hershberger Ada, daughter of Levi E. and Saloma (Byler) Miller

February 17, by Bishop Lester Yoder Roy, son of Albert and Emma Yoder

#### Allen County, Indiana

Febrauary 17, by Bishop Christy Schmucker Mary, daughter of Elmer and Anna (Schmucker) Lengacher. Anna, daughter of David and Anna (Miller) Schwartz Mary, daughter of Daniel and Rosa (Eicher) Miller

#### Arthur, Illinois

William Mast District Reuben, son of Morris Gingerich. Raymond, son of Henry Schrocks. Elmina, daughter of Eli Beachys. Betty, daughter of William Masts.

Dan Miller District

Irene, daughter of Ben Schrocks. Mary Jane, daughter of John E. Gingerichs.

John Hershberger District

Herbert, son of Roman Borkholders. Judy, daughter of Roman Borkholders.

Fannie, daughter of Sam H. Millers. Rosa, daughter of Levi J. Herschbergers.

Linda, daughter of Alvin Planks. Edna, daughter of Gideon Millers.

Esther, daughter of Sam H. Millers.

Steve Kauffman District

Harley Miller, of Nappanee, Indiana. Kenneth Lynn, son of Eli Herschbergers.

Chriss E. Otto District Kenneth, son of Omer Kuhns. David, son of Harvey Farmwalds. Irma, daughter of Eli J. Gingerichs. Nancy, daughter of Lewis Schlabachs.

Henry H. Miller District Mary, daughter of Levi C. Herschbergers. Marilyn, daughter of David D. Schrocks. Arlene, daughter of Ruben L. Yoders. Clara Mae, daughter of Reuben J. Schrocks. Ernest, son of Ralph C. Yoders. Mervin, son of Henry H. Millers.

Amos D. Otto District Daniel, son of Amos D. Ottos. Viola, daughter of Ervin H. Schrocks.

Menno S. Miller District Floyd, son of Omer A. Millers.

#### Bloomfield, Iowa

March 2.

Mary Esther, daughter of Ervin and Rosie (Schmucker) Gingerich.

Centreville, Michigan by Bishop William Bontrager John Henry, son of Vern Yoder.

by Bishop William Bontrager, February 17. Joe Henry, son of Vern Yoder. Elise, daughter of Dan Gingerich.

North East District

by Irvin Yoder, February 24. Wayne, son of Merle and Shirley (Bontrager) Yoder. Irvin Ray, son of Merle and Shirley (Bontrager) Yoder.

# **MARRIAGES**

Conewango Valley, New York Miller, Miller - John, son of Eli H. and Sarah (Yoder) Miller to Sarah, daughter of John S. and Edna (Mast) Miller, February 7, by Enos J. Yoder.

Herschberger, Miller - Widower Menno J. Hershberger to Sarah, daughter of the late Eli J. and Lizzie Miller, February 21.

#### Southern Mercer County, Pennsylvania

Byler, Mast - Harvey U., son of Urie D. and Dena A. (Byler) Byler to Ada, daughter of John D. and Leah (Wengerd) Mast, February 14, 1980, by Andy Hershberger, Troutville, Pa.

Kurtz, Shetler - Gideon, son of John E. and Lizzie G. (Wengerd) Kurtz to Ada, daughter of Mrs. Barbara Shetler, February 21,

1980, by Dan J. Byler.

Hostetler, Wengerd - Dan A., son of Andy B. and Susie D. (Yoder) Hostetler to Fannie N., daughter of Wallie C. and Mary (Kurtz, Wengerd) Byler, February 28, 1980, by Jacob M.

Geauga County, Ohio

Fisher, Yoder - John, son of Crist and Esther (Miller) Fisher to Fannie, daughter of Sam and Emma (Miller) Yoder, February 21,

Hostetler, Miller - Monroe, son of Ben and Viola (Miller) Hostetler to Rhonda, daughter of Albert and Betty (Miller) Miller,

January 3, by Crist R. Hershberger.

Kurtz, Miller - Melvin, son of John and Mattie (Byler) Kurtz to Sarah Marie, daughter of Andy and Lydiann (Troyer) Miller, February 21, by Roman Troyer.

#### Millersburg, Ohio

Hershberger, Schlabach - Albert, son of Bishop and Mrs. Joe Hershberger to Viola, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry A. Schlabach, February 21, by William Schrock, Indiana.

Schlabach, Yoder - Ivan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roman J. Schlabach to Susie, daughter of Preacher and Mrs. Andy A. Yoder, February 19, by Eli Hershberger.

#### Adams County, Indiana

Eicher, Fehr - Joe A. J., son of Mr. and Mrs. Amos N. Eicher,

#2 Geneva, and Tina Fehr, of Seymour, Missouri, February 14. Schwartz, Schwartz - Menno N. S., son of Mr. and Mrs. Noah F. Schwartz, #1 Monroe, to Anna B., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe A. Schwartz, #1 Monroe, February 10.

LaGrange County, Indiana

Yoder, Lambright - Samuel, son of Perry W. and Wilma (Eash) Yoder to Esther, daughter of Perry and the late Elma (Otto) Lambright, February.

Daviess County, Indiana

Wagler, Wagler - Amos, son of Arthur and Alta (Knepp) Wagler to Ida Rose, daughter of John Henry and Susie (Knepp) Wagler, February 17, by Fred W. Knepp.

Hazelton, Iowa

Yoder, Beechy - David, son of Henry and Barbara Yoder to Irene, daughter of Mose and Lizzie Beechy, February 14, by Eli Bontrager.

Lucknow, Ontario

Miller, Shetler - Henry, son of Preacher and Mrs. Levi A. Miller to Emma, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William J. Shetler, February 14, by Dan D. Stutzman.

Shetler, Stutzman - Lewis, son of Mr. and Mrs. William J. Shetler to Emma, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Noah D. Stutzman, February 7, by Dan D. Stutzman.

# **OBITUARIES**

Beachy, Lester, 6, Hazelton, Iowa

was instantly killed on his way to school by a milk truck. (For more details see community note in the January issue.

Born August 12, 1973, he was the son of Ray and Ada (Nisley) Beachy. He died January 11, age 6 years, 4 months, 30 days.

Surviving besides his parents are 2 brothers: Reuben 3 and Bennie 1; 2 grandparents: Benjamin and Lizzie Beachy; 1 step grandmother: Mrs. Malinda Nisley; 10 uncles, 6 aunts and many cousins and friends.

We wish to thank everyone who helped in any way. Also for letters, cards and words of encouragement which meant so much to us.

Our Dear Son Lester

Just a little over 6 short years ago We had a sweet little baby. He was our first born child So we were happy as could be.

As the years went by He was a happy little boy Then we were blessed with 2 more children Which added to our joy.

He'd get up early in the morning And try to beat Dad putting on his shoes He liked to go out and feed the horses And when there was a new born calf he'd bring Mom the news.

He liked to go to school He liked his teacher well He was everyone's friend That you could easily tell.

Then that day of sudden parting came Oh, Dear Lester we thought it couldn't be But we know God called you home To be with Jesus through eternity.

Your friends miss you in school In church is a vacant place No longer do we hear your footsteps Nor do we see your smiling face.

Now Mom and Dad do not grieve Even though I have been laid to rest For I have no more sorrows And God always knows whats best.

Dear Lord help us carry our burden Let us see the sunshine again And when our life on earth is done We hope to meet our son in Heaven.

> Amen The Lonely Parents.

Died Thursday, February 7, in his home following an illness of 8 weeks. Born in LaGrange County on February 21, 1905, he was a lifetime resident of the county. He was married to Ida Yoder, who

survives.

Also surviving are two son, Ora and Lester, both of LaGrange; five daughters, Mrs. Mahlon (Lizzie Mae) Mullett of Milton, Iowa, Mrs. Olen (Barbara) Miller and Mrs. Melvin (Mary) Mullett, both of LaGrange, Mrs. Freeman (Fannie) Mast of Utica, Ohio and Mrs. Marvin (Loretta) Kemp of Nappanee; 56 grandchildren, four great-grandchildren; a brother, Joe of LaGrange, and two sisters, Mrs. Ben (Barbara) Gingerich and Lydia Bontrager, both of Topeka.

Funeral services were held on Sunday at 9:30 a.m. in the Jacob Kurtz home with Bishop William J. Yoder officiating. Burial was in

the Miller Cemetery.

Erb, Katie Ann, 60, Baltic R#1, Ohio

died January 29, in her home, following a long illness. Born in Holmes County, she was a daughter of the late David A. and Lydia (Shetler) Troyer. She was a member of the Old Order Amish.

Surviving in addition to her husband are a sister and six brothers, Miss Amanda D. Troyer of RD1 and Ab D. Troyer, both of Baltic, Wayne D., Henry D. and Jonas D. of Sugarcreek. Roman L. of Wilmot, and Levi D. of Three Hills, Alberta, Canada.

Funeral services were held on Friday, February 4, at 9:00 in the Erb home. Bishop Andy E. Yoder officiated and burial was in

Yoder Cemetery.

Erb, Sam, 79, Geauga County, Ohio

died February 16, of a heart attack. Age 79 years, 10 months, 10 days. He was born April 8, 1900 in Holmes County, Ohio and married Mrs. Emma (Shetler) Miller, on July 1, 1948.

Surviving are his wife, 4 sons, Alvin, Jonas, Samuel Jr. and Freeman, 1 daughter, Katie, 1 step-son Melvin Miller and 1 step-daughter, Ida. 30 grandchildren, 3 great-grandchildren.

Large funeral services were held on Tuesday, February 19, 9:30 a.m. at the home, by Minister Dan U. Byler and Bishop John Henry Yoder; at Elmer U. Millers by Minister William J. E. Byler and Minister Andy L. Yoder, at Dan P. Weavers by Minister Dan P. Hostetler and Bishop John U. Miller. Burial in Nauvoo Cemetery.

Fisher, John, 93, Donley Rd., Middlefield, Ohio

died January 8, after a short illness. He was born May 12, 1886, in Holmes County, Ohio and was married to Malinda Byler, who

died in February 1969.

Surviving are 3 sons, Henry, married to Mattie Slaubaugh, Crist, married to Fannie Weaver (with whom he resided) Dan, married to Mary Weaver, 3 daughters, Lizzie, married Harvey Frey (deceased) Nancy, married Eli Mullet, Emma, married Andy J. Miller. 2 brothers, Eli and Emanuel, 2 sisters, Katie and Emma.

Funeral services were held January 11, in the home. Burial in

the home cemetery.

Fisher, infant son, Quarryville, Pennsylvania

was stillborn Tuesday morning February 12, at St. Joseph's Hospital. He was born to Christ M. and Phoebe (Byler) Fisher.

Surviving in addition to the parents are paternal grandparents, Henry F. and Mary L. (Stoltzfus) Fisher, Willow Street; maternal grandparents, Eli Z. and Emma D. (Byler) Byler, Paradise R1, and paternal great-grandparents, Christian M. and Emma (Fisher) Fisher, Ronks.

Graber, Victor, 72, Grabill R3, Indiana

died February 9. He was a son of the late John Jr. and Mary (Miller) Graber. He is survived by his wife, Ida; six son, Raymond, Victor Jr., Mervin, Menno and Furman of RR. Grabill and Michael of Camden, Michigan; 4 daughters, Marian Wagler of Hamilton, Martha Schwartz of New Haven, Amanda Marie of Grabill and Viola at home. Two sons preceded him in death. Also a brother Harvey, Grabill, 2 sisters, Sylvia Schwartz, Grabill, and Delila Eicher, New Haven; 4 half-brother, Jesse, New Haven, Joseph, Grabill, Louis and Levi, Camden, Michigan and a half sister, Edna Miller of Quincy, Michigan.

Funeral services were held by Bishop Amos A. Graber of Daviess County, and in other house by Preacher LaVern Steury of

Quincy, Michigan. Burial in Amish Cemetery, Grabill.

Hershberger, Lizzie M., 86, Tavern Rd., Middlefield, Ohio

died Saturday evening, February 2, at Crist E. Millers, age 86 years, 17 days. She was born January 16, 1894, to Manass M. and Catherine Hershberger.

Surviving are 1 brother, Mose, of Milton, Iowa, 1 step-brother, Menno I. Hershberger, 1 step-sister, Mrs. Fannie Byler of Georgia, 24 nieces, 13 nephews. Preceding her in death are her parents, 4 brothers, 4 sisters, 4 step-brothers and 2 step-sisters.

Funeral services were held at 10 a.m., February 5, at Crist E.

Millers. Burial in Hershberger Cemetery.

Hershberger, infant daughter, Topeka, Indiana

was stillborn January 3, in Elkhart General Hospital. She was born to Perry Lee and Amanda (Hochstetler) Hershberger.

Surviving with the parents are Anna, Vern and Marion, all at home, and the grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Mahlon Hershberger of RR1, LaGrange and Mr. and Mrs. Willis Hochstetler of Nappanee.

Funeral services were held Friday, January 4, at 2 p. m. with Bishop Joni B. Miller officiating. Burial at the Miller Cemetery.

Miller, Andy E., 54, Geauga County, Ohio

died January 10, after a long illness. He was born August 1, 1925, to Eli P. and Katie F. (Miller) Miller. Married to Emma J.

Miller on April 8, 1952, who survives.

Also surviving are 8 daughters, Katie (married to Nelson Wengerd); Mary, (married to Ruben R. Byler Jr.); Ada, Elizabeth, Emma, Ella, Lucyann and Esther, 5 son, Eli, Jerry, Andy, Danny, Cristy, all at home. 2 grandchildren, 5 brothers, Peter, Dan, Jonathan, Levi and Eli, all of Middlefield, 4 sisters, Elizabeth, Emma (married Sam Yoder); Fannie, (married to Jerry Byler); and Cora, (married William Miller).

He was a minister. He has been a wheelchair patient for almost 2 years with an unknown illness, and was in and out of the hospital various times. Preceding him in death were his parents, 1 brother

and 1 son.

Funeral services were held Sunday, January 13, at 12:30 p. m. at 4 different places. Burial in Mespo Cemetery.

Miller, Druscilla, 84, Sugarcreek, RD2

died Tuesday, February 19, in her home following a long illness. Born in Sugarcreek, she was a daughter of the late Jonas H. and Rebecca (Yoder) Keim. She was a member of the Amish Church. Her husband, Jacob M. Miller, died in 1964.

Surviving are a son, Joe J. of RD1 Sugarcreek, two daughters, Mrs. Mose (Mary) Kaufman of RD2 Sugarcreek and Mrs. Simon (Esta) Hershberger of Walnut Creek; a sister, Mrs. Mart (Elizabeth) Hostetler of Apple Creek; 14 grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren. Also preceding her in death were two grandchildren, two brothers and five sisters.

Funeral services were held Friday, February 22, 9 a. m. in the Mose Kaufman residence with Bishop Enos D. Miller officiating.

Burial was in Miller Cemetery in Walnut Creek Township.

Miller, Emanuel, 65, Shipshewana, Indiana

died Saturday, December 29, in Sarasota, Florida, from an apparent heart attack. Born in Dodge, Kansas, on February 22, 1914 he was married on January 19, 1939 to Katie Miller. He was resided in LaGrange County 24 years and was a painter and carpenter.

Surviving besides his wife are a daughter, Mrs. Homer (Fannie) Lambright of Shipshewana; two sons, Melvin of Nappanee and Joseph of Cromwell; his mother, Mrs. Sarah Mullett of Cashton,

Wisconsin and five brothers and four sisters.

Funeral services were held Wednesday at 9:30 a.m. in the Lloyd Miller home with Bishop Henry Yoder and the Rev. Harley Yoder officiating. Burial was in the East Barren Cemetery.

Miller, Jacob, 56, Topeka R1, Indiana

died Monday, December 30, in his home. Born in LaGrange County on December 28, 1923 he was the son of Jacob and Katie (Christner) Miller. He was a farmer and had lived in this area all his life. He was married February 26, 1948 to Anna Schrock who survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Eli (Elizabeth) Glick of Topeka and Mrs. Ben (Mary) Troyer of Millersburg, Ohio; 8 sons, LeRoy and Homer of Topeka, Johnny of Wolcottville; Glen of Goshen and Richard, Elvie, Josie and Herman, all at home; 8 grandchildren; three sisters, Mrs. Alice Miller of Middlebury, Mrs. Freeman (Juanita) Eash of Shipshewana and Mrs. William D. (Edna) Miller of Middlebury, and five brothers, Amos J. of

Nappanee, Edward and Eli of Sarasota, Florida, and Amsie and Obie, both of Goshen.

Funeral services were held Thursday at 9:30 a.m. in the Mervin Lehman home with Bishop Calvin Lambright and the Rev. Orla Troyer officiating. Burial was in the Hawpatch Cemetery.

Miller, Levi D., 29, Harmony, Minnesota

was instantly killed when he fell to the ground from a boom. (see community note) His age was 29 years, 8 months and 4 days. He was married to Anna Hershberger who survives.

Also surviving are 3 children: Maryann, 4, Emma, 2 and Daniel, 1; his father, 3 brothers, 6 sisters, aunts, uncles and many cousins

and friends.

Funeral services were held at the late home on Tuesday, January 22. Many friends and relatives from out of state came to the funeral. He was laid to rest beside his mother who had passed away only 8 months before, in the Andy Wengerd Cemetery.

Miller, Lizzie, 90, Conewango Valley, New York

died February 22, the day after her daughters wedding. She had been in the hospital different times this winter. She was born December 14, 1889 and was married to Eli J. Miller who died in 1969.

She is survived by eleven sons and 6 daughters, 4 sisters, 117 grandchildren and 128 great-grandchildren.

Miller, Mrs. Mary, 91, Star Route, Millersburg

died Sunday in her home following a brief illness. A lifetime resident of Holmes County, she was a daughter of the late Joe B. and Anna (Weaver) Weaver and a member of the Old Order Amish. On December 23, 1909, she married Steve S. Miller, who died January 27, 1974.

Her survivors include four daughters and two sons, Mrs. Henry (Alma) Kauffman and Roman of Mount Eaton; Mrs. Edna Mullet of RD5, Millersburg; Mrs. Emanuel (Iva) Miller of RD2, Apple Creek; Mrs. Mose (Anna) Yutzy of the home and Jacob of RD2, Orrville; 36 grandchildren; 59 great-grandchildren. Three sons, three brothers, four sisters, five grandchildren and one great-grandchild are deceased.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, at 9 a.m. in the residence with Bishop Jacob I. Mast officiating. Burial was in the

Yoder Cemetery in Paint Township.

Miller, Menno P., 77, Nauvoo Rd., Middlefield, Ohio

died December 30, at his home. He was born August 3, 1902, to Peter E. and Emma Miller. Married to Lovina Byler on December 13, 1928.

Surviving are his wife, 3 daughters, Mary, married to Freeman Gingerich, Betty, married to Dan Burkholder, Amanda, married Allen Gingerich. Two sons Joe and Mahlon, all of Middlefield, 4 brothers, Jonathan, Jerry, Gid, Joe and 1 sister, Mrs. Andy (Amanda) Miller.

Funeral services were held January 2 at the Dan Burkholder residence. Burial in home Cemetery.

Mullet, David, 3, Bundysburg Rd., Middlefield, Ohio

died December 20, at the Hattie Lakham Home after an illness of  $2\frac{1}{2}$  years, age 3 years, 3 months, 21 days. He was born September 30, 1976 to Owen and Florence (Byler) Mullet, who survive.

Also surviving are 1 sister, Susan, age 5, 1 brother, Paul, age 4. Paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Mullet, maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Miller, aunts, uncles and cousins.

Funeral services were held December 23, at Bill M. and Chester M. Bylers. Burial in Bundysburg Cemetery.

Raber, Levi J., 71, Millersburg, R1, Ohio

died Tuesday morning, January 1, in his home following an illness of 1 month. Born in Holmes City, Ohio on August 15, 1908 he was the son of Joseph and Anna (Bontrager) Raber. He was married on April 12, 1934, to Amelia Yoder who survives.

Also surviving are four daughters, Mrs. Sam W. (Elizabeth) Yoder of Shipshewana, Mrs. William (Amanda) Yoder of LaGrange, Mrs. Harry W. (Katie) Miller of Millersburg and Mrs. Sam (Ida) Bontrager of Middlebury; two sons, Joseph of Shipshewana and Lloyd of Middlebury; 41 grandchildren; two brothers, Melvin and Jacob, both of Topeka, and two sisters, Mrs. Melvin (Lydia) Yoder and Susie Raber, both of Topeka.

Fineral services were held Friday at 9:30 a. m. in the family

home with Bishop Amos U. Miller officiating. Burial was in the Bontrager Cemetery.

Smucker, Malinda, 65, Narvon R1, Pennsylvania

died unexpectedly Saturday, February 9 at 8:45 p. m. at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sylvan Fisher. She died from a heart attack. Born in Caernarvon Township she was a daughter of the late David B. and Rachel (Stoltzfus) Smucker.

Surviving are these brothers and sisters: Eli, David and Elmer of Narvon R1; Jacob, New Holland R2; Mary, wife of Jacob King and Rachel Smucker, both of Narvon R1; Sadie, wife of Joseph F. Beiler, Gordonville R1. Also many nieces, nephews and cousins survive.

Funeral services were held Monday, February 11, at 11:00 a.m. at the home of her brother, Elmer Smucker by Christian L. Stoltzfus and Daniel S. Stoltzfus, both of the home district. Lied by a nephew, John Lapp, and at graveyard by Benuel Stoltzfus and Bishop John U. Stoltzfus of the home district. Burial in Masts Cemetery.

Stoltzfus, Rachel F., 85, Leola, Pennsylvania

died Wednesday, February 26, at 2:00 a.m. at the home of foster kin, Mrs. John Stoltzfus. She was the widow of Jonas L. Stoltzfus, formerly of Morgantown. (see community note.)

She is survived by eight daughters: Elizabeth B., wife of Noah I. Yoder of Long Prairie, Minnesota, Lydia B., wife of Jacob Hertzler, of Dry Run; Rebecca B., wife of Milo Yoder, of Marshfield, Missouri; Emma B., wife of Ervin Byler, of Dover, Delaware; Katie, wife of Edwin Beachy, of Oakland, Maryland; Rachael B., wife of Urie Shetler, Paraguay; Annie B., wife of Yonie Shetler, Gap Mills, West Virginia; Naomi, wife of Alton Yoder, Somerset; one son, Isaac Stoltzfus, Mission Home, Virginia; 53 grandchildren, and 67 great-grandchildren.

Stoltzfus, Samuel E., 89, Gordonville R1, Pennsylvania

died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Aaron J. Glick, Bird-in-Hand R1, at 5:30 p. m. Sunday, February 10, following a lengthy illness. Born in Caernarvon Township, he was a son of the late Samuel M. and Sarah (Esh) Stoltzfus. He was a retired farmer and was a member of the Old Order Amish Church. He was preceded in death by two wives, Annie Smoker and Annie Petersheim and was the progenitor or 276 direct descendants.

Surviving are five children, Eli S.; Mary, wife of Aaron J. Glick, both of Bird-in-Hand R1; Mrs. Sadie Stoltzfus, Samuel M., Benjamin S., all of Christiana R1; 46 grandchildren; and 226 great-grandchildren. He is also survived by five stepchildren, David Petersheim, Daniel Petersheim, both of Bird-in-Hand R1; B. John Stoltzfus, Gap; Levi S. Petersheim, Gordonville R1; Christian Petersheim, Fredericksburg, Ohio; 21 step grandchildren, and a number of step great-grandchildren.

Also surviving are five sisters, Mary, wife of Jonas Fisher, Ronks R1, Mrs. Hannah Stoltzfus, Mechanicsville, Md.; Mrs. Annie Stoltzfus, Leola; Mrs. Lizzie Stoltzfus, Gap; Mattie, wife of Aaron Lapp, Kirkwood RD; and two brothers, Stephen, Kirkwood Rd and Christian, Christiana RD.

Funeral services were held at 9:00 a.m. Wednesday, February 13, at the Samuel M. Stoltzfus, Christiana, residence by Bishop Dan E. Stoltzfus, Loganton and Bishop Amos Lapp, Strasburg. Burial in the Fisher Cemetery.

Swartzentruber, Andy, 1, Harmony R2, Minnesota

died January apparently of pneumonia. He was sick with complications for 1 day and 1 night. (see community note) He was the son of Jacob W. and Rebecca Swartzentruber.

Surviving besides his parents are 1 sister and 1 brother.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, January 30, at the Jacob J. Hershberger residence.

Troyer, Adam S., 11 months, Dover, Delaware

was found dead in the crib, February 14th. Born February 22, 1979, aged 11 months, 22 days.

Leaves to mourn his early departure his parents, 2 brothers and 1 sister, grandparents on both sides and many other relatives.

Funeral services were held at the home on February 16, by Andy Mast Jr. and Bishop John J. Yoder. Paulbearers were Adam Miller Jr. and Dan A. Mast.

Troyer, infant daughter, Fresno R3, Ohio

was stillborn Thursday in Union Hospital. She was born to Henry M. and Anna M. (Yoder) Troyer. Besides her parents she is survived by four sisters and nine brothers, Katie, Fannie, Susie, Martha, Rueben, Ervin, Atlee, Roy, William, Mose, Junior, Christ and Ivan, all of the home; paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Mose A. Troyer of Baltic; maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. William A. Yoder of RD5 Millersburg.

Graveside services were held Saturday morning by Bishop Andy E. Yoder. Burial in Barkman Cemetery, Coshocton County.

Yoder, Michael J., 88, Dundee R2, Ohio

died Tuesday morning in his residence after a 5 month illness. He was born in Holmes County, a son of the late Jeremiah and Lizzie (Miller) Yoder. He was a retired farmer and a member of the Old Order Amish. His first wife, Lizzie Ann (Boley) Yoder died in 1923.

Surviving are his second wife, Katie (Miller) Yoder; 1 daughter, Mrs. Sam A. (Orpha) Hershberger of R2 Dundee; 1 son, Roman M. Yoder of Greenwich, Ohio; 1 foster daughter, Minerva Miller of the home; 1 sister, Mrs. Emma P. Girod of Berne, Indiana; 18 grandchildren; 33 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by 9 sisters.

Funeral services will be held Thursday at 9 a.m. in the Delbert Hershberger residence, R2, Dundee with Bishop Mahlon Hochstetler officiating. Burial in the Weaver Cemetery, Walnut

Creek Township.

Yoder, Monroe A., 69, Sugarcreek R1, Ohio

died February 23, after a lingering illness of kidney trouble. His first wife Edna Pfister died in 1970. He married the second time to Emma Erb in 1972 who survives.

Besides his wife he is survived by 1 son, Levi of St. Louis, 2 daughters, Kathryn, wife of Joe M. Yoder, and Mabel, wife of Dan

D. Miller, both of Sugarcreek.

Yoder, Manas E., 74, Shipshewana, Indiana

died Friday, December 21, in the Sarasota Memorial Hospital in Sarasota, Florida where he had been a patient 10 days. Born in White Cloud, Michigan, July 18, 1905 he had lived most of his life in the Middlebury community. He was a farmer. He was married

October 17, 1935 to Louise Schweitert, who survives.

Also surviving are three daughters, Rebecca Yoder of Middlebury, Mrs. Arlene Boley of British Columbia and Mrs. Ray (Leanna) Yoder of Washington; four sons, Harold, John and David, all of Middlebury, and Melvin of Goshen; four sisters, Mrs. Fanny Yoder of Topeka, Mrs. Laura Miller and Mrs. Elizabeth Miller, both of Washington, D. C., and two brothers, Melvin of Topeka and Ervin of Muskegon, Michigan.

Funeral services were held Wednesday at 9:30 a.m. in the David F. Yoder home with the Rev. Menno Yoder, the Rev. Harley Yoder and the Rev. David Bontrager officiating. Burial

was in the Mast Cemetery.

Yoder, Mary, 8 days,

died February 13, was born February 5, age 8 days. She was ill

since birth weighing only 2 pounds, 11 ounces.

Surviving besides her parents are 2 brothers, and these grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John Yoder of Missouri and Mr. and Mrs. Andy C. Miller of Middlefield. Preceding her in death are 2 sisters.

Funeral services were held February 12, at neighbors, Albert Millers.

Zook, Reuben F., Kinzers R1, Pennsylvania

was stillborn Wednesday, February 26, to Christian B. and Sarah E. (Fisher) Zook.

Surviving besides his parents are brothers and sisters and these grandparents: Joel and Rachel (Glick) Zook, Gap, and Amos L. and Susie (Fisher) Fisher, Ronks R1.





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# **CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS**

Clymer, New York - Walter Troyer

February was cold with a lot of zero and below zero the last couple of days. With not much snow on the ground. Men are busy cutting logs and going to sales. Women are quilting. Roman Mullet had public sale on the 23rd and is going to quit farming and going into the harness shop business. Dairy cows are still high.

Norfolk, New York - Ben Schwartz

This was an unusual winter for here in north country. It was mild with very little snow. The first part of February was cold, the lowest was 14 here and then it grew milder with a 50 degrees high temperature. The Olympies, in nearby Lake placid, were making snow with a machine for the big ski event. The U. S. A. won the championship in Hockey, 4 to 3 against the Soviet. The last week in February, produced snow. Milk volumn is picking up at the cheese plant. We are getting about 13000 lbs. every other day. We are sending a lot of cheese orders out by U. P. S. postpaid in 421 lb. blocks to anybody who drops us a line. Address is St. Lawrence Commission Cheese House, Norfolk, New York 13667.

Seneca Falls, New York - Mrs. Noah S. Byler

Temperature in the teens the first week in February. Dropping down to 3 degrees above on February 6, going up to 30 degrees on February 8. Temperature stayed in the 20's and low 30's till February 19 it was up to 40 degrees. February 22 it went up to 50 degrees. February 24, it got colder again and February 29 it dropped down to zero and it was cloudy and windy. The coldest we had so far this winter. Also had a few snow squalls on February 27 and ground is covered again now.

LeRaysville, Pennsylvania - Chester S. Yoder

February was mostly cold although not too cold. The coldest we had was on the 18th when we had 1 below zero. By the 19th it

suddenly got warmer with temperature in the 40's.

The rest of that week temperature hardly went lower than 30 degrees. On the afternoon of the 22nd we had one of those rare February thunderstorms. On the night of the 25th it cooled off and had been cold since. It snowed lightly all day on the 27th and in the evening we had a hard snow squall which lasted only a few minutes with the snow accumulating around an inch all day. We also had 3 inches of snow of the night of the 15th. So far we hardly had enough snow worth talking about compared to previous years.

Clinton County, Pennsylvania - Ben Fisher

January has treated us quite mildly, with a beautiful first day of the New Year. January 4th brought snow in afternoon, on into the night. The 6th the sun shone and snow melted some. The 7th and 9th we had snow flurries again. The 11th it was damp, cloudy and we had light rain after lunch, heavy rain followed by strong winds, by the next morning it was still windy, chilling us even in the house which called for time and effort to close up more cracks at doorway, etc. (Hopefully by next winter, we'll be better prepared it takes time to fill in and close up where necessary, especially when only moved in spring to the summer warmth treating us kindly!). The 14th it rained most of the day, which decorated bleak and bare fence rows, weeds and everything, with a glossy, sparkling finish! But by the 16th it was quite springlike. The 17th it was cloudy, the 18th it was warm and cloudy, the 19th cloudy and cooler. The 23rd more snow flurries, for the next 2 days also,

but snow didn't stay. Clear and cold for 2 days, they snow flurries again. Clear and cold finished up January and began February. Where is the warm blanket of snow for our crop's cover this winter? We could wonder, but lets not doubt our kind Creator's way and trust Him with it all.

Skating has been a highlight for our valleys young folks and school children, making many an hour pass pleasantly, in eves, or

at recesses.

Centre County [Nittany Valley], Pennsylvania - Henry M. Glick

February continued to be fair and mild weather. Around the middle of the month we had a cold spell, but a few days later it warmed up and temperature went up to 50 degrees and a little rain. It cleared off and stayed mild till the latter part of the month we had a little snow. Not enough to go sledding. It was very cold the last two days, with temperature down to zero and windy. Not too much moisture in the ground. Ponds are still frozen and children have gone skating galore this winter but no sledding so far. March comes in as a Lion.

Centre County [Brush Valley], Penna. - David B. Stoltzfus

Now that February is over we are having some of the coldest weather of the winter with as low as 5 below zero with a brisk north wind in the early morning of March 2nd. February was mostly colder than January had been except several days in the middle of the third week when temperature reached the mid 50's on the 21st. On the 22nd we had some rain. The deepest snowfall was about an inch with a little snow on the ground most of the time.

Local tomato farmers have received a notice saying the receiving plant will be closed this year as the company can get its tomatoes cheaper from California.

Montour County, Pennsylvania - Amos K. Stoltzfus

February was a nice month, with no rain to amount to anything and only a few inches of snow all together. The coldest was about 8 degrees below zero. We had a warm spell about the middle of February, then the last few days it was real cold again.

Millersburg [Dauphin County], Pennsylvania - Esther Fisher

February came in nice and cold, 8 degrees the first few mornings and a nice breeze going, but till the second week it had warmed up considerable, 40 degrees in the morning and warming up to 60 degrees in p. m. We had a few light snows. The last week was colder again snow on the 28. Mornig of 29 was cold and windy, with temperature of 8 degrees.

Lebanon County, Pennsylvania - Levi S. King

February was rather mild with only ½ inch of rain and about 5 inches of snow. The wind dried the top soil off in the fields enough that it didn't seem like driving over frozen ground. Very little snow to plow or shovel this winter yet. Farm equipment seems to sell a little lower at farm sales but horses are mostly high in price.

# Leola [Bareville area], Pennsylvania - Levi L. Stoltzfus

We had .7 inches of rain in February and very little snow.

Market report: choice fat cattle 68.00-\$72.75 cwt.; feeder cattle 62.00-\$94.00 cwt.; fat hogs 37.00-\$42.00; 40 lb. feeder pigs 50.00-\$64.00 cwt.; fat bulls 64.00-\$74.85 cwt.; veal 118.00-\$139.00 cwt.; dairy cows at New Holland 750.00-\$1670.00; some purebred heifers 1200.00-\$2465.00 large eggs .66 dozen; heavy fowl .22-.30 lb.; roasters .20-.51 lb.; pullets .48 lbs.; capons .57 lb.; ducks .40-.46 lb.; guineas \$1.15 lb.; pigeons \$2.15 pair; potatoes retail 5.50 cwt.; milk around \$13.00 cwt.; corn 68.00-\$81.00 tor; or 2.95 bu.; wheat 4.50 lb.; barley 2.30 bu.; oats \$1.75 bu.; hay 40.00-\$115.00 tor; straw 35.00-\$71.00 tor; corn fodder 30.00-\$43.00 ton.

Christiana, Pennsylvania - Christ B. Stoltzfus

January came in mild and was mild most of the month. We had a little snow and some rain. It got pretty cold with the temperature in the teens the last week. A lot of nice sunny days. Farmers were hauling manure and got some plowing done in early part of the month. Only a few damp days with about 2 inches of rain for the month.

February was a cold month. Coldest month of the winter. It stayed pretty cold until the second week we had a damp spell with close to an inch of rain then it got colder again then we got a few warmer days, the 24th and 25th. And it was very cold again the last days of February. Farmers could haul manure nearly all

winter anytime they wished as we had very little snow and rain. The ground got dry and dusty on top nearly like summer sometimes but was still froze underneath. Farmers are busy tending sales, meetings, frolics and winter naps.

Coatesville, [Chester County], Pennsylvania - J. Elmer Lapp

The beginning of February was cold with temperature between 6 and 10 degrees in the morning. We had a few warmer days around the 20th, then colder again in the latter part of the month. We had very little rain or snow, only flurries. It was nice weater for hauling manure and cutting wood.

Mechanicsville, Maryland - Susie A. Stoltzfus

The first two weeks in February it was cold, then we had around a week of very nice weather, up to 58 degrees, coldest was 13 degrees on the first. Snowed on the 6th, 9th, and 28th; about 6 inches in all. Rained several days, but it wasn't very much.

Dover, Delaware - Neil N. Hershberger

February was a mild month in general. Very little percipitation, total rainfall was 1 inch and around 5 inches of snow. Temperature was above normal, although we had several cold spells. Low temperature was 2 degrees of the 29th, highest was 58 degrees on the 20th and 21st. February the 2nd was clear and cold, with the coldest spell of the winter so far, as the month went out on the 29th.

No farm sales listed among people this spring.

Southern Snyder County, Pennsylvania - Sam M. Troyer

We had 25 mornings under freezing in February, the coldest was one above zero. We had less than one inch of rain and maybe 3 inches of snow. The wood cutters had it so nice that the pallet market is flooded. I've seen a pair of bluebirds up the other day.

McClure [Snyder County], Pennsylvania - John Y. Speicher

The first two weeks of February were cold with morning temperature from zero to 18 degrees above also a few light snows. Friday, the 22nd it rained hailed and thundered. The ground thawed some the 22nd to the 25th. It froze again and got colder the 26th. Grain fields look bare that were sown late, according to tradition the groundhog saw his shadow. Some streams and springs are low on account of lack of snow and rain this winter. February 27th we had snow flurries most of the day. Sometimes the sun was shining and it was snowing. It cleared off fast again. Then towards evening it was windy. Work among farmers is hauling manure and shredding fodder which is easier to get out of fields then last winter. Farmers are also attending farm sales, most everything is high, such as horses and cattle. Price for processing milk for January was 10.87 for 3.5 test.

Juniata County, Pennsylvania - David Y. Renno

The weather here during February was fair and dry, not even muddy, but dusty in fields. The paper reports 1½ inches of precipitation for the year so far and 3½ inches below normal. Will this be followed by a dry like 1930 was? Five degrees above was our coldest anytime this winter and didn't often get above freezing enough to thaw any. We had very little moisture since last December the first. Only a few dustings of snow. March comes in like a polar bear today. Zero, cold and breezy.

Mifflin County, Pennsylvania - Catherine M. Swarey

February was a cold but sunny month with very little snow. Some cold mornings lowest temperature was 6 degrees. Highest day time temperature was 50 degrees. Some water pipes are frozen.

Gettysburg [Adams County], Penna. - Elizabeth A. Stoltzfus

There were five days with morning temperatures above the freezing mark, with the coldest day on the 29th, when morning temperature was 9 degrees and very cold all day. We had several light snowfalls during the month and one rainy day on the 23rd and also a thunder shower that day. We had many pleasant days in February. The precipitation for the first 2 months of this year is below normal. Wild geese and ducks had been seen. Farmers had good weather to keep manure hauled out. Some plowing was done.

Meyersdale [Somerset County], Penna. - Mary A. Kinsinger

Our weather for February has been quite exceptional. We had snow on the ground all the time till last week, from the 20th to the 25th the ground was mostly bare, but had since snowed again about 6 or 8 inches. Not much zero weather but moderately cold

till this eve of the 29th. It seems as if it would drop to below zero. Lots of colds and flu on the go, but it seems to have calmed down again some. Lots of moving on the go for March.

Crawford County, Pennsylvania - Mrs. Menno E. Fisher

We had moderate weather in February highest temperature was 45 degrees and the lowest was 13 below zero, 24.6 inches of snow, precipitation 2.34 inches. The ground was bare part of the month, which is very unusual for February in this area. To date we had no blizzard, not even a big snowstorm. On the last day of the month it was 13 below zero, the coldest we had all winter. On the 22nd we had thunder in the morning.

Southern Mercer County, Penna. - Mrs. E. H. Kurtz

February was somewhat colder then January was. We had 9 days of snow flurries, 20 days sunshine, plus 4 cloudy days and 6 partly cloudy. We had rain on 2 days with our first thunder and lightning on the 22nd. Our coldest was 2 above on the 29th with possibly below zero in the valleys. Highest daytime was 52 degrees on the 20th.

Beef cattle were from \$2.00 to \$3.00 lower at last Monday sales, selling at \$47. to \$57. per hundred. Calves steady at \$96. to \$127. per hundred for good and choice calves. Hog prices from \$30.00 to \$37.80, feeder pigs from \$15. to \$30. A few sheep at \$59. to \$65. Hay selling at \$32. to \$46. a ton for clover and timothy, with alfalfa

anywhere from \$70. to \$100. a ton.

Mercer County, Pennsylvania - Dan J. Troyer

February was a nice winter month. Lowest morning temperature for the first three weeks was 2 degrees above but was mostly around 10 degrees. Had light snow until the 15th we got about 6 inches. On the 19th it warmed up and temperature was in the 50's a few days. It rained some on the 22nd. Snow was about all gone on the 23rd, wind turned to the north and was the coldest of this winter, 8 degrees below on the 2nd of March.

Geauga County, Ohio - Eli E. Miller

January wasn't too cold until about the middle then we had nice winter weather. Some zero reading till February 20 then it warmed up some. It rained on the 21st and got colder by the 25th. It was zero a few mornings again. Some taped sugar bush, but didn't warm up enough to run much.

Feeder pigs are up a little. Fat hogs are still down, beef prices

are still good.

Holmes County, Ohio - Mrs. John H. Yoder

The month of February was quite a bit of changing weather. A lot of snow but never much at a time. At this writing the ground is white. We also had some beautiful sunshiny days and some rain too. The temperature ranged from 6 degrees below to 50 degrees above. The work among the men is cutting wood, hauling manure and attending sales. Some people are sick with flu.

Eastern Holmes County, Ohio - Raymond S. Weaver

February came in good and cold. Temperature hanging around zero the first 5 days. We had about 8 days of near zero temperatures spread throughout the month. Snow was comparatively light with a warmer trend from the 19th to the end, but the last day in February temperature was down to zero again. Nice winter weather with not much snow.

South Eastern Holmes County - John L. Yoder

For February we had our all winter pattern. Not too much snow, some mild and warm days. The last week we had a cold spell again, not much rain. The groundhog seen her shadow. Very little plowing was done in February.

Not much variation in hog prices, pigs a little better, cattle still

high.

Western Holmes County, Ohio - Monroe A. Weaver

We had a very mild winter. Morning temperature in December, average 27, January, average 22, February, average 18, low in December, 8 degrees the 17th, low in January, 7 degrees, the 24th, low in February, 2 degrees the 2nd and 3rd. February 2, ground hogs day was the coldest and fair all day. Last day of February it was 6 degrees, cold wind, fair all day, perhaps the coldest by wind factor all winter.

Inflation is perhaps at an all time high. Hogs are cheaper right now, as the large fall pig population is going to market now. Our last 2 sales, ruffs were higher than fat hogs. I think the pig market will improve a lot within 90 days. Top on heifer calves last week was 110 lb. at \$192.50 cwt. and 125 lb. at \$190.00 cwt. This last calf came to \$237.50 which is 3 times as much as the average cows sold for, when we started farming in 1934. The first pigs we sold in 1934 — 8 pigs brought \$10.00 or \$1.25 each. We were satisfied then better than we are now at \$25.00 each. Back in the 1930's an old tramp told me, the American people worship the dollar. Wonder what he would say now!

Tuscarawas County, Ohio - Jonas N. Borntrager

We surely had lots of nice mild weather in February and not much wind. This morning, February 29, it is 5 above zero. The sun shone at least part time 25 days out of 29 in February. Zero is as cold as we had this winter so far. We didn't have much snow so far this winter but there's some snow on the ground now. It thawed some nearly everyday in February. March 1st is full moon, maybe it will warm up again then.

Farmers are busy choring, hauling manure, cutting woodland attending sales. Hogs are just below 40 cents, milk cows, heifers are in strong demand. Good draft horses are still on the way up. Some farmers are buying hay at 40 dollars per ton and more.

Ashland County, Ohio - Ammon A. Troyer

The first part of February was cold with a nice amount of snow, then around the 20th it warmed up and rained a few days, some maple trees were tapped in that spell, but didn't hear of any syrup being made, then it turned colder again, so that some more ice was put up. A lot of ice was put in the fore part of the month, on March 2nd, we had 3 degrees below zero, our coldest so far all winter.

Allen County, Indiana - Mrs. John Schmucker

Most of the month was cold with a few mild days of 40 degrees on the 20th and 23rd. We had snow different times and a blizzard with 3 inches on the 25th, which kept us from having school the next day. Our coldest was 3 degrees below on the 29th.

LaGrange County, Indiana - Miss Anna Eash

We have had a real nice winter weatherwise, so far. Some snow, only very little zero weather. In February we had quite a few bright sunshiny days. And we have much to be thankful for!

There are a number of farms and small farms for sale. Some

movings

Some factories report a slight increase in work and have rehired some of their "laid off" labor.

Many people have had flu. We also see some bulbs pushing

through, spring is once more "around the corner."

New Years day weatherwise was the 4th day of beautiful white hoar which clung to every twig, weed, grass and buildings which was a beautiful sight. It turned colder and was icy. Very little sunshine and not so cold although on the 6th it was colder and a strong wind. On the 13th, and 14th it was in the 40's and springlike, turning to rain. We are having nice winter weather.

We had three funerals on the 2nd, 3rd and 4th. Some are having colds, flu and pneumonia.

Daviess County, Indiana - Elizabeth Mae Raber

February started in cold with quite a bit of snow on the ground which fell on January 30th and 31st. The first snow that stayed on the ground for this winter. Then we had more snow on 6 different days, with snow blowing and very blizzardy on the 25th, that some roads were drifted shut, altho some places there wasn't much snow and the ground was nearly bare.

We had rain on the 15th and 21st with thunder on the 21st. We had a few very frosty and foggy mornings and on the 20th it was foggy about all day with a light rain. We had 5 days near zero or below with the low for the month on the 1st, which was 2 degrees below zero and a high of 60 degrees on the night of the 21st.

Lovington, Illinois - Henry R. Yoder

February has been real winter, the coldest month of the winter with snow on the ground nearly all the time but not deep, on the 25th we had a real blizzard of real fine snow, the visibility down to zero. However the snow did not get so deep after the wind died down, the traffic could move. We also had a thunderstorm and rain on the 21st. It was an ideal month to get farm chores done. Such as hauling manure or even wood cutting.

Quite a bit of grain is moving to the elevators, more would be moving if the market would raise some. The price of corn and soybeans has lost grounds in last of January and hasn't come back.

The price is lower than at Harvest time.

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The price of beef has improved some. Hog market is about steady. The feed pigs have gained slightly.

The four weeks of German School was finished by February 8. Dan H. Miller was the teacher.

Ethridge, Tennessee - Moses J. Gingerich

The first part of February had quite a bit of snow and ice, the latter part was very nice, with a little oats being sowed about the last of the month.

Perry County, Tennessee - Ruth Miller

The weather sure is changable, a few days we almost thought spring was coming then a few days later it was perfect winter weather, but all in all we have very much to be thankful for, if it would not be for the Lord, we would not even be existing. From the first to the 15th it was about 20 to 25 degrees during the day, mornings around 14 degrees on the 15th it was 54 degrees, on the 21st it was 60 degrees and on the 22nd it was over 70 degrees on the 29th it was 24 degrees again, one good thing is while it was so cold the wind hardly blew, once in awhile there was a nice breeze.

People around here have been picking their corn yet, and plowing, the maple sap season is almost over here in Tennessee, it hasn't been the best year for that, but at least I think everyone had a taste or alittle more.

Beebe, Arkansas - Lester F. Graber

January weather was very mild, quite a few days seeming like spring. We got cold and snow the last week, with some sleet. But most of it is gone, with temperature in the 30 degrees and up.

Pallet business was slow for some time, but recently picked up some. They have at least 5 to 7 full time employees.

LaPlata, Missouri - Mrs. Mose M. Borntreger

February was a rather cold month. Ground hogs day was mostly overcast skies, the average temperature for early mornings was 15 degrees, then warmed up during the day, all the way from 22 degrees to 42 degrees. The snow we got on the 5th and 8th didn't last very long. It was icy on the 15th. We had 16 sunny days and 13 cloudy ones.

Lots of flu and high fever among the children. Also a few grown ups.

Anabel, Missouri - Susanna Borntreger

The month of February started in cold. It was down to 6 degrees below on January 31st and on February 1, down to 9 degrees below. The first big snow of the season fell on January 29th and 30th which was a good 6 inches. The next snow of two inches came during the night and morning of February 4th. Another 2 inches of snow fell on Friday, February 8th. The area received a considerable amount of rain on February 14th. On the 15th the area received freezing rain and snow. It was very foggy on the 20th and 21st. February 25th we had light rain and snow flurries. A considerable amount of frost went out of the ground during the week of the 17th, and the ground seems to be some what settled.

Windsor, Missouri - Mrs. Monroe Hershberger

We have had some winter weather now in February. Both snow, chilly winds and colder temperatures. The coldest was on the morning of the first when we had 8 below zero, then twice the daytime temperature has reached 60 degrees within the last week. Today is the 28th, temperature at 10 o'clock a. m. is 57 degrees, and the sun is shining.

There are many victims of flu amony our group and outsides.

Marshfield, Missouri - Ruben Yoder

February was our most wintry month of the year with occasionally a zero snap and several warm day in between with

temperature up to 60 degrees.

Everyone was surprised on the morning of the 8th when you had to push to open all the doors to see the record snow fall for this area, from 16 to 24 inches of fluffy snow lay everywhere which paralized these hillbillies that there was no mail services and stores were all closed from Thursday till Monday, but it all left the next week.

The hog market is slightly better. Feeder pigs are up to 77 cents.

Reno County [Partidge area], Kansas - Edward A. Mast

Most of our winter came during February this year. With quite a few cold days and plenty of snow. On the 7th and 8th we got

about 18 inches. Fortunately it was calm and had very little drifting.

Cow lots are a mess since the snow melted this last week. But the snow was good for thin wheat. We had very little blowing and dust so far compared to what could have happened with so much wheat planted late.

Haven [Reno County], Kansas - Mrs. E. E. Schrock

Coldest we had was 2 below zero then on February 7th we had a big snow, around 15 inches. Still some of that snow is on the ground being in the twenties and a few times in the thirties it didn't melt very fast, till the last week it was up to 70 degrees the last Wednesday of February. Then Friday evening, the 29th we had more snow and zero weather since. Sun is shining and wind from the south today, March 2. So March started in like a roaring lion this year.

No field work is being done except manure hauling in fields if it isn't too soft or muddy. And some are hauling wheat to the elevator. It takes a lot of hay and feed for the cattle in this kind of

weather.

Bloomfield, [Davis County] Iowa - Mrs. Daniel D. Yoder

The month of January fairly completed our mild winter weather. February brought us more snow and colder weather. A few mornings under zero and the coldest at 10 below. Lots of fog the 3rd week and more mild. The 29th was very cold and windy and it began to snow by late p. m. so seemed rather blizzardy. March dawned clear, cold and windy.

Buchanan County, Iowa - Joe A. Yoder

February had 6 zero mornings and below with February the coldest 10 below zero. In general a nice month a nice cover of snow for most of the month no real stormy days. Roads are exceptionally nice through the winter months. February 28 we had 2 inches of snow.

Utica, Minnesota - Atlee A. Shetler

The first week in February was mostly zero but had a lot of sunshine with it. Than the next two weeks it was up to 20 degrees to 32 degrees and again turned colder on the 23rd to around zero, on the night of the 27. We had 3 inches of snow and again a nice sunshiny day. We will have to see what our leap year day got for us yet. February had no full moon.

Harmony, Minnesota - Mrs. Chriss Stutzman

We had a milder January than usual, not much snow, only enough to keep the ground covered most of the time. The days were warm enough that snow melted again, but soon got a light blanket again. Jan. 6th was quite stormy with some snow, got colder and had zero weather a few days. The last of the month was below zero some mornings and had cold weather for a week continuing into February. We had around 5 inches of snow on February the 5th. It got warmer after the middle of the month, and colder again the last few days with zero in the mornings.

Cashton, Wisconsin - Joe C. Bontrager

The weather in February was mostly from 10 below to 20 above up to the 19th it warmed up and lost a bit of snow, till the 24th it got colder again we have 8 below this morning, February 26. We still have some snow.

Blair, Wisconsin - Mrs. Moses S. Miller

The first week of February was cold in the morning, below zero almost every morning, 18 degrees below a few mornings. It warmed again and was mild for about a week, with nice sunny days, warm enough to thaw. The morning of the 17th was 20 degrees below zero, followed by a warmer rainy and foggy spell, melting a lot of the snow leaving bare spots on hills and fields. It turned colder again the 23rd and leaves a lot of ice in yards and low places. We had more snow again the last few days of the month. We didn't have very much snow anytime this winter.

Chetek, Wisconsin - Mrs. Henry Lehman

The month of February had 10 days of below zero, scattered throughout the month. But usually warmed up fast during the day with many nice sunny days.

We had very little snow during the month of February.

Beef and dairy cows are high, Feeder pigs are around \$32.00. Milk prices \$11. and \$12. a hundred.

Amherst, Wisconsin - Mrs. L. J. Borntrager

We've had a very nice winter, very little snow and mostly mild. On January 11th, we had an extra strong wind. Temperature in the morning was above freezing and around zero by eve and still windy. On the 16th we had an all day rain which left some big water puddles standing around. (They froze later on though). The 26th and 30th we had below zero weather.

Wilton, Wisconsin - Jacob P. Hochstetler

February was a cold but nice month with not much snow. We had 5 inches of snow on the 5th and again 4 inches the 28th. But we had enough of warm days that the snow settled quite a bit. There's still a layer of ice on the ground under the snow. We had about 10 mornings with zero or below. It was 12 below on the 29th.

Bronson, Michigan - Ora A. Graber

We had nice winter weather up to the middle of the month, with no extremes and very little wind. The 3rd week we had rain and mud. And now our fourth week we have more cold, wind and snow than we've had all winter thus far.

Wood is the main fuel for heat in this area, More so among the english than our own people, why? Ten years ago everybody was transferring to oil, and now since they invested heavily in equipment, they're changing to wood stoves.

Branch County, Michigan - Mrs. Noah N. Schwartz

February has been quite cold with not much snow and not much wind. Also a week of very foggy days. We also had a night of thunder, lightning and rain on the 21st. The last day was clear, cold and windy.

Lucknow, Ontario, Canada - B. E. Gingerich

February was clear and cold for the first week and a half of the month, with the temperature dropping down to 10 degrees below zero at the coldest. The week of the 11th was snowy and quite mild with a colder snap over the 17th. By the 19th it had warmed up again. We had a freezing rain the 22nd. Temperature was in the 30 to 40 degrees range.

# **MIGRATIONS**

John and Barbara (Miller) Bontrager moved to Mayes County, Oklahoma on February 18.

Joe C. Millers moved from Lobelville, Tennessee to Route 4. Searcy, Arkansas on January 18, 1980.

Noah M. Yoders moved from Marshfield, Missouri to Dixon, Missouri. That is the first Amish family is that settlement.

Eli P. Gingerichs moved from Clark, Missouri to LaPlata,

Missouri on February 6, 1980.

Moses A. and Emma (Yoder) Yoder moved from Reedsville, Pennsylvania to Mc Clure, Pennsylvania R#2, on February 12.

Alvin P. Yoder moved from LaGrange to Bloomfield, Iowa on

Deacon Elmer Grabers moved from Topeka, Indiana to Bloomfield, Iowa on February 28.

# Why Eggs on Easter?

Submitted by Levi L. Stoltzfus

In very ancient times, among many people or nations, the egg was considered an emblem of the universe—the work of the Supreme Being. The Egyptians, Persians, Greeks, and Romans, all regarded it as such. The Jews used eggs at the Passover Feast, in memory of Noah being shup up in the Ark, as life is shut within the egg, and as Christ was shut within the tomb, and coming from in again, was supposed to have been prefigured by the Ark. The Christians, in early times, brought eggs to the Easter Feast, in memory of the resurrection. In Russia, since early ages, it has been the custom for the people to go to each other's houses, on the morning of Easter Day, begin by saying, 'Christ Jesus is risen.' Then they embrace and give each other an egg. The people of rank and wealth have the eggs covered with gold, or silver leaf, or beautifully painted. On the continent of Europe, in many places, large platters of eggs are sent to the Priest to be blessed, and then distributed to the people. The egg at Easter, being the emblem of the rising from the grave, in the same manner as the little chicken, buried as it were, in the egg, is in due time, brought to life, and bursts from its tomb. In Germany, they sometimes present a picture instead of an egg. In one of these is represented three hens upholding a basket, which contains three eggs, ornamented with pictures that illustrate the resurrection. Sometimes the eggs bear the symbols of Faith, Hope and Charity, with these lines:

"All good things are three,
Therefore I present to thee
Three Easter eggs—
Faith, Hope, and Charity.
Never from thy heart lose,
Faith to the Church,
Hope in God and love Him
To thy death."









#### Friends of the Aged

Blessed are they who understand,
My faltering step and my palsied hand;
Blessed are they who know that my ears today,
Must strain to catch the things they say,
Blessed are they who looked away,
When my coffee spilled at the table today;
Blessed are they with a cheery smile,
Who stop to chat for a little while,

Blessed are they who never say,
You've told that story twice today;
Blessed are they who know the ways,
To bring back memories of yesterdays;
Blessed are they who make it known,
That we're loved respected and not alone;
Blessed are they who ease the days,
Of our journey home in loving ways!

# APOCRYPHA

Reprinted from last month due to misarrangements

#### The Frohschouer Bible

A most unusual, Swiss or Zwingli version, is a Zurich edition by Christoffel Froschouer printed in 1536. A few originals are yet to be found among german "plain folk," whose ancestors have brought them along from Switzerland or Swiss-German and Siwss-French regions. This Bible contains some books of apocrypha in different arrangement as the Lutheran version. Contrary to the belief of some admirers of this Bible they are seperated from the Hebrew Old Testement Canonial books and are not intermixed with them as acclaimed by some recent owners. The difference is that Frohschour has not seperated them with a new preface as other Bible compilers have in the reformation period. Perhaps he followed the old Latin vulgate Bible in order to that extent, however he omits The Songs of the Three Holy Children, The Prayer of Asaria, and the Prayer of Manasses. In the prefix of 2nd Esther he notates that it was in Latin the 11th chapter. In the history of Susanna he notes at the heading that it was in Latin a continuation of Daniel or the 13th chapter. "Bel at Babylon" was the 14th chapter of Daniel respectively.

Now that he does not break off after the Old Hebrew Canon Books with a new preface, led many readers to believe that the books of apocrypha are not seperated, which they are, although in a different pattern from the Lutheran German version. He begins with 1st Esdra, without any marked break, which is identical to the Hebrew book of Ezra in the Lutheran bible, then he continues with 2nd Esdras which is identical to Hebrew Nehemia in the Lutheran Bible. Next is Esther in the Frohschouer which is in the same order as in the Lutheran Bible. Frohschouer then continues with 3rd and 4th Esdras which is where his apocrypha actually begins without any marginal notes of anykind. These two books of Esdras are omitted in all Lutheran versions, except in the Christopher Sauer, edition who borrowed them from another German translater, Luther never translated them and since our present Lancaster bible is strictly Lutheran, two of the most colorful books of the apocrypha are omitted from our bible.

Next Frohschour places "The wisdom of Solomon" which is the second aprocryhal book in the Lutheran version. Sirach comes next or before Tobit as in the Lutheran version, followed by Tobie, Frohschour continues with Baruch and then Judith, which comes first in the Lutheran apocryphal. Hester or Esther comes next, followed by Susanna, which Frohschour leaves a note at the title that it was the 11th chapter of Daniel in Latin. (vulgate Bible), where Luther has "Bel zu Babel" and "Drachen zu Babel" a chapter for each one, Frohschour incorperated the two into one chapter named "Bild zu Baal, Bel."

Froschour now continues with 1st, 2nd and 3rd maccabees, which Luther includes only 1st and 2nd of this book. The King James version follows the Luther pattern of this book of maccabees. Here Frohschour continues with Job, which ends the books of apocrypha.

To say the Frohschour was ignorant in setting properly or dividing the canon from non canon books is never true. In his Swiss Brethren, he may have been aware that he was preparing the Truth for the quiet and lowly, or in another sense his own position must be kept quiet and low in critical vorred he gives fine and appropriate explanations of special interest to those of Anabaptist heritage. He acknowledges

the fact that the apocrypals is not to be esteemed alike the Original Hebrew or Old Order Books. "They are Albeit useful, leads one to a honest and honorable life." Then he follows with a beautiful illistration of his motive in compiling these useful books. A picture of a face appears much clearer or brighter in a mirror than in water, but quiet, still water is better than sorrow and affection. His prediction here is probably saying that to live an honest and quiet life is better than fame which may lead to sorrow. On the other hand he may be releasing a reflection of his own state of mind. Since this seems to be the principle bible of the Anabaptists or times of persecution.

He continues about the nature of his selected books, many books are often blended with fiction and fable-like, nevertheless we do not want to despise anything that good and usefulness can be drawn from. And the grain [korn] shall not be cast away with the chaff, rather they shall be seperated. He concludes the paragraph with a saying of Paul.

As far as it is known there are only 3 editions of the Frohschour Bible. The original in 1536, second edition, printed at Straussburg in 1644, a third edition printed in America, at Ann Arbor, Michigan, in 1975 by Amos B. Hoover, Denver, Penna. in conjunction with Macmillen Hutterite Colony, Alberta, Canada. The Hutterites are the only people known to use it in worship service today.

To be continued

# Diary of the Bible

January - Most of the family decided to read me thru this year. They have kept me busy for the last two weeks, but now they've forgotten.

February — Clean up time. I was dusted yesterday and put in my place. My owner did use me a few minutes this week. He was in an argument and was looking for some reference. March — I had a busy day the first, my owner was appointed leader or something and used me. I got to go to church for my first time this year, Easter Sunday.

April — Grandpa visited us, he kept me on his lap reading I Corin. 13 for an hour. He seemed to think more of me then when he was younger.

May — I had a few green stains on my papers, and some early flowers pressed in me.

June - I looked like a scrapbook. They stuffed me full of newspaper clippings. One of the girls got married.

July — They put me in a suitcase. I guess we are off on vacation. I wish I could stay here, because I will be in this thing for a month.

August — Still in the suitcase.

September — Back home again and in my old place. Have alot of company, two true stories and four comic books on top of me. My! I wish I could be read as often as they are.

October — They used me alittle today. One of them is sick. Right now I'm shined up and in the center of the table, I

think the preacher is coming.

November — Back in my old place, I was looked thru for some old papers. Today one of the kids picked me up and asked, is this a scrapbook?

December — They are getting ready for Christmas, I'll soon be covered with packages and wrapping paper.



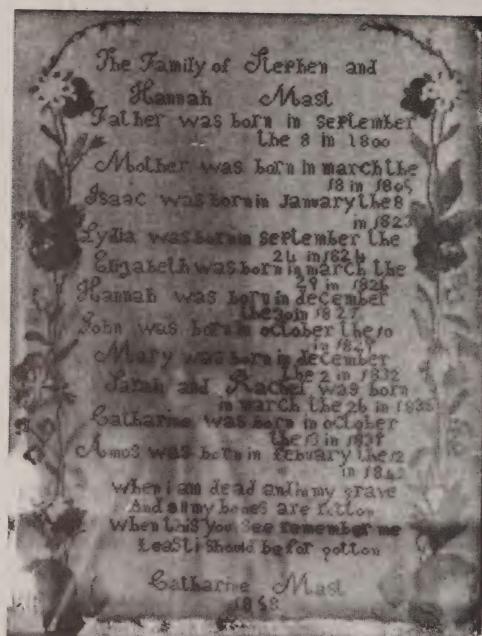
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Aus der Pequea Bemeinde Almofen Bud

Dado den 11 Maius 1811 hab ich Almofen gelt empfangen von der Gemein sch 2. 6. 10 bens.

Dado den 17 November 1811 hab id Almosen gelt empfangen von der Gemein sch 2. 13. 10 bens Mehr empfangen 3 schiling 2 bens.

Hannes Kinig Den 23 tag Febuarius 1832 hab ich zeen pfund Almosen gelt empfangen Welches der alte Johannes Kinig erlaubt hat in feinem willen in das Almosen zu dun.



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# The Butterfly

1. You may ask the reason why
There's a butterfly in the sky.
First there has an egg been layed,
Before the butterfly was made.
It has been kept in a shell,
And there it rested very well.
When the shell did break apart,
The Butterfly has got its start.

When it was hatched, it flew in the air,
In human life it does compare.
So when the shell will break it two,
And this earthly life is through.
The soul will part and somewhere go,
And where it rests, our Lord will know.
In human life a soul does live,
So be prepared that God may give.



3. A home and Mansion up on high,
And meet our Saviour in the sky.
And get our eyes washed off with tears,
When that judgement day appears.
May we then like the butterfly,
Have wings like angles up on high.
So eternal life can be our gain,
And never more have any pain.

# The Mennonites of Switzerland and France

By Samuel Geiser, Orange, Tavannes, Switzerland

Selected from "Mennonite Quarterly Review," January, 1937

I am particularly happy to bring greetings from the Mennonite Churches of our beloved Switzerland, the motherland of Mennonitism, to the Mennonite brethren and sisters from various parts of the world who are assembled here. God has not only made it possible for us to meet each other here in Amsterdam, to greet each other and to come into contact with one another, but it is also a gathering which will promote the interests of the Kingdom of God, if on this occasion we experience in a special manner the revelation of God through the person of our ever-present Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ, so that we may be blessed in our personal life and so that also the spiritual upbuilding of our congregations may be promoted.

I should like to base my remarks concerning the history of the Mennonites in Switzerland on the text found in Deut. 32:7 where we read as follows: "Remember the days of old, consider the years of many generations: ask thy father, and he will shew

thee; thy elders, and they will tell thee.'

Why are the people of God urged to remember the former times? Not only to revive ancient memories and to delight in them, but as God Himself says, to consider what He had done, to be convinced of God's work in the lives of the fathers. And that is what we want to do here today, to take a brief look at the marvelous work of God in our congregations in past times. The original Anabaptist movement, the establishment of the first Anabaptist congregation in Zurich, was not the work of cold speculation, as the activity of Conrad Grebel, Felix Manx, and Georg Blaurock is represented in many church histories, nor is it the result of a fanatical enthusiasm, nor the illusion of a stubborn company of fantastic folks, as the contemporary historians of that time, Heinrich Bullinger and Konrad Schmid, described the Anabaptists. Rather I venture to assert, on the basis of abundant source materials, that it was a creative act of God, the work of our God, who in the face of the ecclesiastical decay of the time wrought in our forefathers through the Holy Spirit the desire to establish a fellowship of the saints according to the principles of the apostolic church.

The chronicles of the Hutterian brethren, which are based on manuscript archives and which go back to the time of the beginning of the Reformation, give the following account concerning that which happened "in Switzerland because of the special awakening and leading of God."

"Als Luther und Zwingli die tück und büberei des rom. Antichrists, der babylonischen Hure genugsam

entdeckt, wie mit Donnerschlägen alles niedergeschlagen und zum tail ein Licht aufgesteckt, haben sie demselben nicht richtig nachgefolget, sondern sich an den weltlichen Gewalt der Finsternis gehenkt, darum auch kein frommers gottesfürchtiges Volk nit aufgezogen haben...und ob es wol einen gueten Anfang göttlicher Erscheinung und Ammuets gehabt, ist ihnen das Licht der rechten Wahrheit wiederum verdunklet. --- Da hat Gott im Jahr 1525...das Licht seiner Gnaden eben eingeführt und hat die lang verdruckt Kirchen angefangen das Haupt wieder empor zu heben und Christus rechter Art zu verstehen, sich von dem antichristischen Wesen zu sondern, sich durch den Tauf mit ihrem Christo in wahrer Untergebung des Glaubens zu vereinbaren."

According to this report the Swiss Brethren wanted to organize a new church according to the principles of the ancient church. Only believers should be received into their fellowship on the basis of a voluntary choice. Zwingli declared: "they will not get me to start such a sect." The attitude of Zwingli seemed to the Brethren to be treason to the cause of the Gospel. With much expectation they had hoped that the Reformation would bring about not only an improvement in ecclesiastical conditions, but the realization of the biblical pattern for the church, in which the church is the bearer of the Christian life and the steward of the original constitution and discipline of the church. The fundamental concept of the nature of the Christian church which I have just mentioned inevitably led to the rejection of an all-inclusive church, as Zwingli clearly taught. With keen vision the early brethren had seen that much of what the Reformation was doing was unsatisfactory. "Although mass and images were done away with, yet there was no repentance," as they emphasized. A merely external creed did not make the one who professed it a Christian. In many of those who joined the Reformation the brethren had the impression that a real experience of salvation in the soul was lacking. They considered a purely externally assimilated Christianity as insufficient. "In their conception of salvation our forefathers held less to a purely juridical imputed righteousness by faith, but rather to a righteousness of life wrought in them by the grace of God," said Jacob Kroeker at the 400th anniversary celebration in Basel in 1925. The fathers were not satisfied with a one-sided imputed righteousness without the inner change of heart, the new birth. That is the reason for their constant insistence that a righteousness of life must be the inescapable (unerlassliche) consequence of righteousness by faith. The attitude of the brethren in Zurich toward the Reformation was therefore one which designated it as inadequate. However the negative side, the rejection of the concept of the Church as held by the reformers on the part of the brethren, is not the central point, for the main emphasis lies in the positive side, the conception of the meaning of salvation for the inner life. The experience of salvation did not limit itself only to

the righteousness of life which was wrought within by the Holy Spirit, but also manifested itself in the union of those who together with them had drawn near to each other in the fellowship of the spirit and life. Furthermore the brethren felt themselves called to testify to the world of the work of God within, "Die Erkenntniss drangte zum Bekennt-

In a solemn hour in a meeting about January 25, 1525 the brethren publicly confessed and confirmed their experience of salvation by holy baptism, in spite of the fact that several days earlier, (January 18, 1525) the city council of Zurich had officially required infant baptism. The chronicles of the Hutterian Brethren report this meeting in the following account:

"Und es hat sich begeben, dass sie beieinander gewesen sind, bis sie die Angst anging und auf sie kam, ja in ihrem Herzen gedrungen wurden. Da haben sie angefangen ihre Knie zu biegen vor dem hiichsten Gott im Himmel und ihn angeruft, als einen Herzenskundigen und gebeten: dass er ihnen wollte geben zu tun seinen göttlichen Willen und dass er ihnen wollte Barmherzigkeit beweisen. Denn Fleisch und Blut und menschlicher Fürwitz hat sie gar nicht getrieben, weil sie wohl gewusst, was sie darüber werden dulden und leiden müssen.

"Nach dem Gebet ist der Geörg vom Haus Jakob aufgestanden und hat um Gottes willen geboten den Konrad Grebel, dass er ihn wolle taufen mit der rechten christlichen Taufe, mit solchem Bitt und Begehren, hat der Konrad ihn getauft...

'Wie nun das geschehen, haben die andern gleicherweise an dem Geörgen begehrt, dass er sie taufen soll, welches er auf ihr Begehren also tat, und haben sich also in hoher Furcht Gottes miteinander dem Herrn ergeben, [einer den andern zum Dienst am Evangelium bestätigt] und angefangen den Glauben zu lehren und zu halten."

Time will not permit me to relate in detail the bitter struggle of the leaders of the Reformation with the Anabaptists which Zwingli himself describes as much harder than the struggle with Catholicism. I assume that most of us are familiar with the sorrowful story of this struggle which frequently led to the execution of the brethren and their leaders. Throughout this struggle what seems great to me is the heroic strength of the brethren in overcoming even the greatest suffering. Their loyalty to their faith made a powerful impression even upon their enemies. The question as to whence they derived the strength to remain steadfast and endure is answered by the chronicles of the Hutterian Brethren which give the following explanation:

"Sie haben vom Wasser, das aus dem Heiligtum Gottes fliesst, ja aus dem Brunnen des Lebens getrunken und davon ein Herz bekommen, das vom Menschensinn und -verstand nicht vermag begriffen zu werden. Sie haben empfunden, dass ihnen Gott das Kreuz tragen hilft und haben die Bitterkeit des Todes überwunden. Das Feuer Gottes brannte in ihren Herzen. Ihr Glaube hat eben geblüht wie eine Gilgen [Lilie], ihre Treue wie eine Rose, ihre Frommigkeit und Redlichkeit wie die Blume der Pflanzung Gottes. - Sie haben das Horn in Zion blasen gehört und haben es, wohl verstanden und deswillen haben sie alle Pein und Marter zurückgeschlagen und sich darob nicht entsetzt. Ihr heilig Gemüth hat die Ding, so in der Welt fürgehen, einem Schatten gleich geachtet, grösserer Dinge vergewisst. Sie waren also von Gott erzogen, dass sie überall nichts kannten, nichts suchten, nichts wollten, nichts liebten denn das ewig himmlische Gut allein."

What a beautiful testimony. Would to God that it could also be said of us today, the modern

Anabaptists

The Anabaptist movement spread rapidly from Zurich to the territory of Berne. Here also, in the story of the Bernese Anabaptists, I dare not lose myself in historical details. Yet it is instructive to take a look at the inner and outer position of the Anabaptists in the time of the Reformation and to secure a clear picture of the faith and life of the Swiss Brethren on the basis of the rich source material which is available. The fundamental principles of the Swiss Brethren will not be found written down in constitutions, confessions of faith, or binding disciplines, but will be found preserved in the records of court trials and in the minutes of the great debates of Zofingen (July 1-9, 1532) and of Berne (March 11-17, 1538). On the basis of these records we can derive a sound knowledge of the principles of the Anabaptists. It is noteworthy that the teaching found in these records agrees entirely with the articles of faith found in the Seven Articles of Schlatten am Randen as adopted by the South German Anabaptists in 1527. The whole theology of the brethren was so grounded in the Scripture that it is correct to say of the leaders of Anabaptism that their position was primarily a holding fast to the biblical conception of the church. One of the outstanding characteristics of the church life of our fathers was this, that they sought to make both their inner and their outer life to conform with the teachings of the apostles. The central emphasis of the entire Anabaptist movement was placed upon a return to the original sources of the Christian church. All their thinking and acting was the expression of an earnest endeavor to retain the essence of original Christianity.

# Characteristics of Original Anabaptism as Found in the Original Documents

1. Let us direct our gaze first to the experience of salvation which is emphasized so strongly by our fathers. They took their stand consciously on the experience of regeneration, wrought in them by Christ and the Holy Spirit. Their relation to God was based on the crucified and risen Lord. In accord with this one of the fundamental characteristics of our fathers was their thorough comprehension of the biblical teaching of justification by faith. Their inner and outer life was determined by their position as children of their heavenly father. The

experience of salvation which the Anabaptists at the time of the Reformation had was grounded thoroughly on the blood sacrifice of our Lord Jesus Christ, or in other words the blood of our Saviour was for them the ground of their atonement and redemption. As evidence of this listen to the following expressions: "Die sich von der Welt und Finsternis absondern und sich begeben fürderhin Christo dem Herrn in Gehorsam zu leben durch des Blut sie auch erlöst worden." "Darum sind wir gereinigt und gewaschen durch das Blut Jesu Christi, da höret ihr, von was Reininung oder Rechtfertigung wir reden." "Christus hat den Bund des Neuen Testaments in seinem Blut eingeführt." The last statement is the testimony of the Anabaptist leader Hans Hotz in 1538 before the entire council of the city of Berne. The brethren stated that they had learned from the preachers of the state church neither "improvement of life" nor "sanctification from sin." The brethren had drawn their teaching "from the example of Christ and the command of the apostles." Their conception of salvation was oriented toward the individual experience of salvation. For this reason their conception of the grace of God was much more than a theological dogma. They conceived of the grace of God as a revelation of God through the person of Christ in the heart of man.

2. The subjective experience of salvation in our fathers soon found expression in the doctrine of biblical baptism on faith. The strict loyalty to the Scripture which the Anabaptists practiced inevitably led to the rejection of infant baptism. The circumcision of the heart, a true heart faith, had to precede baptism. For this reason they emphasized very strongly that repentance and faith must become the possession of the individual and consequently they asked the very definite question, "Is it possible to add a soul to the church by outward baptism who does not have faith." For them baptism was not "the washing away of the filthiness of the flesh," but rather it was to those who had been cleansed by the blood of Jesus Christ, both "a sure testimony, assurance and witness of their faith in God." The brethren therefore did not look for a magical effect of the water baptism. They were far removed from making salvation dependent upon the rite of baptism. God had sent His messengers, such as Conrad Grebel, to received by baptism into the church of Christ "those who had become obedient to the teaching of Christ in true repentance of heart." Every soul who desired to be a Christian, would according to Romans VI be "baptized into one body in the death of Christ," raised with Him, and afterward would walk in newness of life "according to the rule of Christ." Thus were the brethren "united with the church of Christ." The divine instruction regarding baptism was, according to Matthew 28 and Mark 16, first to teach, then to believe on Christ, and thereafter to baptize the believers.

3. Another characteristic of the Anabaptists is the doctrine of separation from the world. A church of

ruly believing personalities in contrast to the official state church which took in the whole world, that was what the brethren wanted to be. Their conception of the church was irreconcilable with the conception of an all-inclusive church. They charges the reformers with having established their church upon "the worldly government" and consequently of having fellowship with the world, and not standing on the foundation of the world of God. The church should be composed of people who were obedient in faith, redeemed persons. A Christian church would of necessity keep the regulations and ordinances of Christ.

The doctrine of separation was grounded in the antithesis between the kingdom of the world and the kingdom of God, between believers and unbelievers. The Anabaptists had an altogether different conception of the "world" than that held by the theologians of the state churches. This gave them the possibility of justifying their doctrine of a radical separation from the world. The word of Christ, "My Kingdom is not of this world," and the injunction of the apostle Paul, "Come out from among them and be ye separate" (II Cor. 6), was quite sufficient for them to reject the world as unchristian and to separate themselves from it, since the realization of the kingdom of God could never be accomplished in connection with the world. A sharp line of division between the world and the kingdom of God was for them a prerequisite for the victory of the gospel of Christ. In their thinking the church was the fellowship of the disciples of Christ which includes in it all those who have given themselves over to the "obedience of the Gospel." The example of Christ and the apostolic church was definitive for them. They were convinced of the possibility of realizing the ideal church. They said, "in the ancient apostolic church only those were received and planted in the true church who had experienced repentance and a change of life." "In allen, denen das Wort Christi früchtet und grünet, die sind die Gemeinde Gottes, sind göttlicher Natur, werden Brüder und Schwestern genannt. Ist die Kirche von der Welt abgesondert and handelt allein nach der Art Christi, so mussen wir sie als solche bleiben lassen, ist sie aber noch in der Welt, so konnen wir sie nicht als die Kirche anerkennen." They asserted further that the testimony of conscience confirmed in them that they were sent to teach the church of Christ, to emphasize the difference between god and evil, and consequently "dem Herrn ein Gemeind und Kilchen zuzuführen, die unsträflich sei." It was not the preachers of the state church, but they who had "the true church" which was established on the ground of the apostles and the prophets and which rested on the corner stone of the rock Christ, "the head of the church."

4. A fourth characteristic should be mentioned briefly, namely the unconditional requirement of church discipline. Since the Anabaptists had the apostolic example as their ideal which they strove to attain, namely that the church of Christ should

be without spot, it was necessary to remove from the church everything which should dishonor Christ. Even in a church composed of believers only it would be possible at any time that evil should appear. For this reason evil, in whatever form it might appear, even among brethren in the church, should be unconditionally punished according to Matthew 18 and I Corinthians 5, and should be cast out of the church. The application of discipline, although it was to be strictly carried through, was to be exercised in love for the improvement and restoration of the erring one. The church was not permitted to apply corporal punishment according to the law in the manner of the worldly government, but could use only "the punishment of Christ according to grace."

In order to complete this characterization of the early Anabaptist churches one should point out other characteristics such as the insistence upon complete freedom of faith and conscience, the requirement of following Christ, the rejection of the oath, the principle of non-resistance according to which the Christian may never use revenge but must love his enemy. But time does not permit this. We have seen that the center of their entire

theology was Christ and His church.

In order to realize this New Testament apostolic church, our forefathers, the first Anabaptists, fought and struggled severely. It is true that in their struggle they were defeated, their lot was to suffer wrong. The comment of Solomon which was the result of his clear spiritual vision, can be applied to them (Ecc. 4:1): "So I returned, and considered all the oppressions that are done under the sun: and behold the tears of such as were oppressed, and they had no comforter; and on the side of their oppressors there was power; but they had no comforter."

Although our forefathers gave their life blood for their faith in this desperate struggle, and although many an ideal of their conception of the church remained unrealized, nevertheless God gave His testimony to them by and large and used them as bearers of His redemptive revelation. They were not ashamed as the "church of the poor" to bear the shame of Christ their master.

The Economic Development of Swiss Anabaptism

Let us consider briefly the economic development of Swiss Anabaptism. The statement of the patriarch Jacob and his sons, the brethren of Joseph, which they made to the Egyptian king Pharaoh at the time of their settlement in the land of Goshen, "Your servants are shepherds, we and our fathers" (Genesis 1:46, 32-34, and Genesis 47:3), applies to a considerable extent to the Swiss brethren. In spite of innumerable difficulties the brethren have the honor of being pioneers in the technical advancement of agriculture. In the history of the agriculture of Switzerland and other countries the Swiss Mennonites occupy an outstanding place. The achievements of the Anabaptists in the field of cultural and economic development are today being

recognized by many impartial experts in this field. Everywhere they have gone in the entire world they have created prosperous centers of culture. Wherever they have gone the Swiss emigrants have manifested an exceptional understanding of cattle breeding and dairying. In this connection let me refer to David Mollinger, the father of the agriculture of the Palatinate, a grandson of a Swiss Mennonite emigrant from the Canton of Berne who was expelled from his fatherland February 11, 1711. For further illustration let me refer to the Detweiler family who were driven from Switzerland, "members of which family both in past and present have been outstanding leaders in agriculture both in theory and in practice. In Mennonite economic history they have played a prominent part in the development of a definite South German agricultural type (Mennonite Lexicon) However it is not possible to do more than mention the Mennonite contribution to agriculture as master farmers.

History offers us few points of reference for a satisfactory picture of the economic character of the Swiss Mennonites of the 16th and 17th century. For many decades after the period of persecution the Swiss brethren lived in the most simple circumstances. Their standard of living was very modest, and family life was quiet and orderly. The economic attitudes of the Swiss Mennonites are well

described by Dr. Ernst Correll:

"Die Lebensform, die von ihnen gepragt wurde, trug den Stempel der Einfachheit. Dies lag schon im Charakter der Absonderung beschlossen. Reichtum und Glanz verwirft Christus der Herr [Luk. 12, 15.] Irrelevanz [Unerheblichkeit] fur das Heil eines Christenmenschen einerseits, das liebes-kommunistische Pflichtgefuhl andererseits, wurden als Wirtschaftsgesinnung gepflegt, von franziskanischen Armutsenthusiasms war keine Spur. Die Arbeit wurde als eine von Gott gestellte Aufgabe erachtet. Fleiss, Arbeitstreue und andere okonomische Tugenden erhielten eine religiossittliche Weihe, auf die gerade auch die Gemeindezucht achtete. Erstrebt wurde eine seltsame Verbindung biblischer Muster mit dem, was fur ehrsam und als einfaltige Art erachtet worden war. Das praktische Lebensideal wuchs auf dem Boden des Handwerker- und Bauerntums. . . . Zuruckhaltung vom Handelsgeschaft, Bescheidenkeit im Kauffen' und 'Merckten' wurden als Maxime wirtschaflichen Gebarens vorgehalten. Massgebend blieb in allen Dingen die Tendenz zur Bedurfnislosigkeit."

The blessings of God rested visible upon such a life lived in true piety and integrity.

The chief occupation of the Swiss Mennonites, particularly of the Bernese emigrants, was stock breeding, dairying and general farming, as indicated above. Until about 1900 spinning and weaving was a side line, although it was conducted as a hand trade rather than with machines. The French historian Mathoit reports that the numerous Mennonite families which emigrated from Switzerland, especially from the Jura to France were "fermiers,

meuniers, tisserands (tarmers, millers and weavers)," and adds that they had excellent achievements to their credit. He says further, "They brought under cultivation large areas in the plain and on the mountains, and they excel in breeding and trading in cattle." Concerning the Mennonites in the Vosges mountains he says further, "They are simple in life but intelligent and industrious." And in regard to the attempts to drive the Mennonites out of the land he says, "Most of the land owners were too much interested in the effective development of their property to be willing to give up the sevice of the Mennonites."

In a similar way the Mennonite refugees who were driven out of the Emmental and settled on the lonely mountain heights of the bishopric of Basel which is today the Bernese Jura, by their hard labor made that land much more productive. The Emmental emigrant, who had been reared to the utmost simplicity in the bitter struggle to maintain his existence on the hill-side farms of his native valley, found even the meadows of the Jura mountains giving him a modest prosperity.

Until recent times the Swiss Mennonites with few exceptions could still be credited with the high qualities of agricultural success which had been their historic reputation. Unfortunately the prosperity of the World War and the following years was fateful for them. The price of land, as well as taxes and other expenses, increased enormously. Following this came the time of deflation, the general depression of values, which was catastrophic for many who had excessive debts on their property. It cannot be denied that in many respects the hardships of the present depression which the Mennonites are experiencing are in part due to their own mistakes. The purchase of land at high prices, building expensive buildings, the abandonment of the ancient simplicity, are all factors which have played a part in the intensification of the farmer's difficulties. Although the various forms of government aid have helped to obviate the greatest danger for many, namely the loss of house and home, it will be many years until the Swiss Mennonite farmer recovers from the present depression. So much for the economic aspect of Swiss Mennonitism.

#### Swiss Emigration

The emigration of Swiss Mennonites from their native land had great significance for the economic and cultural life of the countries into which they came. However to deal with the entire emigration problem in its many aspects would far exceed the limits of this paper, and a statistical report would actually be impossible. All that can be done is to sketch briefly the most significant aspects of the emigration movement without giving the details as they concern the individual countries.

The causes of the emigration of the Mennonites from Switzerland are first the persecutions, second, the military problem as it affected the Mennonite principle of non-resistance, and third, the bad

economic conditions or the hindrances to the economic development in the home land. On the whole, the emigration of Swiss Mennonites was not a voluntary movement but was in large part due to the frequent edicts of expulsion by the authorities. It is easy to understand why a government should expel foreigners for propagating religious doctrines which conflict with the state churchism of the native land, but for our modern concept of justice it is exceedingly difficult to understand the expulsion subjects, merely on the ground of propagating the Anabaptist cause. No wonder that the Anabaptists at Zurich declared to the government officials." And yet numerous Anabaptists were compelled to leave the territory in Zurich, especially in the second period of Anabaptist history in Zurich about the beginning of the seventeenth century. The emigration at this time practically put an end to the remaining Anabaptist congregations in the territory

The expulsion of Mennonites in the canton of Berne was carried through still more harshly than in Zurich. Countless individuals, not only men, but women and aged persons, were driven from their native land into foreign countries. With bleeding hearts the Mennonites left their home land which they loved, to find a refuge in a strange land where they might practice their faith.

The first land of refuge was Moravia where there was a certain degree of toleration for groups outside of the state church.

Another land to which many emigrants went was the Palatinate, especially in the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries. The numerous family names of Bernese origin in the Palatinate indicate a considerable expansion of Mennonitism there as. a result of the immigration of the Swiss brethren. Soon after the first appearance of Mennonites in the Palatinate in the sixteenth century, members of the group were called expressly "Swiss Brethren."

A Bernese edict of June 15, 1660, called "endliche Resolution Miner gnadigen Herren," ordered the execution of the plans for expulsion which had been drawn up earlier. The tribulation of the Mennonites in the canton of Berne during the following years was unusually great. In the year 1671 there were a large number of forcible expulsions. About seven hundred persons left Berne for the Palatinate where they arrived in the most miserable condition. The Dutch Mennonites stepped into the breach in the most generous way and kindly cared for their suffering brethren. Many of the exiles were so attached to their native mountains and their relatives who had remained behind that they returned again and again to their beauti ful Emmental. For this reason the Bernese government threatened to brand with branding irons those who returned.

Another important region to which the Swiss emigrants went was the Netherlands. The Dutch Mennonites befriended their persecuted brethren in Switzerland in the heartiest fashion. Even though I cannot go into detail here, yet I should like to

assure our dear Netherlanders that we Swiss Mennonites have not altogether forgotten the kindness which they manifested to our forefathers. The problem of aiding the Swiss brethren was discussed at a general conference of Duth Mennonites held in Amsterdam on November 5, 1670. The intervention of the Dutch Mennonites prevented a plan to deport imprisoned Mennonites from Switzerland to the East Indies and North America at the beginning of the eighteenth century. A considerable number of the Mennonites who were to have been handed over to the East India Company were settled in Holland. On August 3, 1711, another "shipment" of arrested Swiss Mennonites which had been sent down the Rhine on four vessels, arrived in Amsterdam. Of this group 126 persons were settled in Groningen, 116 in Deventer, 87 in Kampen, and 21 in Harlingen. The Dutch Mennonites also did everthing in their power to secure a more tolerant attitude toward the Mennonites lengthy diplomatic negotiations which had been carried on through the government of Holland and rejected all further attempts to interfere in her private affairs.

There are many traces of Swiss emigration from Berne to the neighboring countries of Alsace-Lorraine and France. The fact that there are no Mennonites in the interior of France and that they are found only in the border provinces, indicates that the Mennonite immigrants into France came mostly from the canton of Berne. This is further confirmed by the fact that the family names of the immigrants are, throughout, German names from that canton. As early as the year 1643 there is report regarding Mennonites who had already settled there a considerable time before, which reads a follows: "Ehedem hielten sie ihre religiosen Versammlunger in einer Deholz- zwischen St. Marie aux Mines und Schlettstadt. Jetzt vereinigen sie sich in einer Scheuer. Sie haben keine Pfarrer, aber einer von ihnen liest die Schrift in deutscher Sprache vor und sie singer ihre Psalmen nach der

Uebersetzung von Lobwasser."

The years of 1671 to 1711 witnessed the settlement of a large number of Bernese Mennonites in Alsace, particularly in upper Alsace, in the Vosges mountain region, as well as in the French Jura in what is now the Department du Doubs. In the principality of Montbeliard Count Leopold Eberhard secured Mennonites to operate his farms. The French historian Mathiot, who gives an account of the Mennonites in Alsace and in the principality of Montbeliard Count Leopold Eberhard Mennonites to operate his farms. The French historian Mathiot, who gives an account of the Mennonites in Alsace and in the principality of Montbeliard, states that the Mennonites in this region held fast their traditions, and continued to read their Bibles at home and in their meetings. On Sunday the gospel was preached in the meeting, with close adherence to the Bible and accompanied by prayer and singing. In their conduct, he says further, they behaved as strangers and pilgrims, were simple in their manner of life, and 54

were faithful in their work and in keeping their promises, "comme de vrais Chretiens." He adds further that they sought to help one another in material and in spiritual needs.

Elder Pierre Sommer of Grand-Charmont near Monbeliard writes the following in a letter:

"Not many Mennonites are living today in France and all of them are in the northeast of the country. About 1000 live in Alsace-Lorraine, which as is well known was German territory from 1871 to 1918. This group has retained the German language, whereas those who have lived in French territory continuously since their first arrival at the beginning of the eighteenth century, have become French and have lost the German language almost entirely. Our families all came from Switzerland and long held fast to the German language. Here in Montbeliard we still occasionally had German meetings until a few years ago. The congregations in France are for the most part small, the members are widely scattered, they could not have their own schools, and so could not retain their language. Spiritual life had also sadly deteriorated. Thanks be to God, the last thirty years has witnessed new life and today we have many who have an assurance of salvation through the blood of Christ and who are endeavoring to be true witnesses for the Lord. The congregations in France are organized into a conference which meets twice yearly, once in the spring and once in the fall. The French speaking congregations have their own annual conference in the French language even though they also belong to the official conference."

Sommer has written the following concerning the French Mennonites in the Mennonite Lexicon: "The deep piety of the fathers still lives on. In many families the work of the spirit of love and peace can be felt. At the beginning of the twentieth century earnest endeavors were made to promote spiritual life. By means of a series of conferences of which the first was held in Epinal in the year 1901, attempts were made to draw the isolated congregations closer together by stimulating the sense of solidarity. Themes of general interest were endeavor within the congregations." Thus we see that God has richly blessed the French Mennonites both temporally and spiritually.

In later years the land which became the goal of the Swiss Mennonite emigrants was chiefly the United States of America. Very likely there were Bernese among the very first Mennonite emigrants to Pennsylvania who had come from the Palatinate at the beginning of the seventeenth century. There was a very large emigration of Bernese Mennonites to America in the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries. The very numerous Mennonite congregations in Pennsylvania are for the most composed of descendants of Swiss Mennonites from the canton of Berne. The nineteenth century witnessed a large emigration from the Jura and from the Emmental in the third decade. These emigrants settled chiefly in Ohio and in Indiana. The modern congregation

near Dalton, Ohio, known as the "Sonnenberg" church, was settled by these people and was long the goal of emigrants from the congregation of the same name in the Bernese Jura. The difficult journey which these people took was accomplished by wagon as far as Havre, and food supplies for the long ocean journey of more than three months were taken along. The stream of emigrants to the New World constantly increased, for many found the struggle for existence in the Swiss mountain lands too difficult. A brief examination of the difficult state of Swiss agriculture in the fifties and the eighties of the last century also helps us to understand the enormous number of the emigrants. Thus the Swiss Mennonites and the American Mennonites have continued to be united by many bonds of relationship.

As we look back over the whole movement of Swiss Mennonite emigration, we are led to feel that Mennonites in all countries are united with each other not only through spiritual ties but also to some extent through the physical ties of blood relationship.

The Swiss Mennonites who remained in the Home Land

Even though a large portion of the Swiss Mennonite people were lost to the native land by the extensive emigration of the seventeenth, eighteenth, nineteenth centuries, Switzerland, the original home of numerous Mennonite families, still has retained a remmant of Mennonite congregations, who today call themselves "Old Evangelical Anabaptist Congregations'' ("Altevangelisch Taufgesinnte Gemeinden"). Here is a list of the congregations.

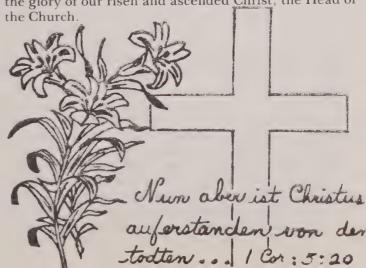
Basel-Schanzli has its own roomy meeting house since 1903. West of this congregation close to the French border is Grosslutzel, which includes in its membership all its scattered families living on the lonely mountain farms as far as Delsberg. The congregation known as Pruntrut, which is located in the northern tip of the Bernese Jura, was founded at the beginning of the century by Elder Heinrich Schmutz. South of this congregation known as Kleintal with an additional chapel at Moron which was built in 1893. Another meeting house of this same congregation was built in 1921 at Perceux near the rock cave Geisskirchlein, where according to tradition Mennonites held their services in the time of persecution. One of the largest Swiss Mennonite congregations is located further southwest of the eastern edge of the Jura. It is the congregation known as "Sonnenberg," with the beautiful chapel at Jeangisboden, built in 1900, and the two additional meetinghouses at Furstenberg and Les Mottes.

Farther to the south, just across from the Chasseral mountain chain, is the congregation known as Mont-Cortebert, and farther west on the high plateau of the Iura is the congregation Chaux d' Abel which uses for its meetings the schoolhouse built by David Ummel and given by him to the congregation (burned down and rebuilt in 1917). A chapel in this community which was built in 1905 belongs to the young people's society which includes Mennonites in its membership. There is only one Mennonite congregation in the canton of Neuf-Chatel, namely Chaux de Fonds, with its chapel in Les Bulles which was built in 1894 outside of the city. The older congregation known as Locle is merged with this congregation. The largest and most scattered Swiss congregation is the congregation in the Emmental with its center at Langnau, where also its organ, the Zionspilger, is published. In the village of Kehr at the edge of Langnau stands the first meetinghouse built by Mennonites in Switzerland, built in 1888. Two additional meeting houses were built by the congregation in 1899, Bomatt on the Emme River, and Aebnit near Bowil farther west along the railroad from Langnau to Berne. Two affiliated branches have been established, Emmenholz near Solothurn, and Geneva (also called Pays de Chex) which was founded at the beginning of the century by Abraham Geiser.

All these congregations are united in a conference. The spiritual life in these remnants of the old Anabaptist congregations of Switzerland was in a very low state about the middle of the nineteenth century. It is true that the simple, modest, life of the fathers had been maintained long after the time of persecution, but it is a fact that very often there was little spiritual life in spite of a correct external form. The people clung apathetically to the old customs. But gradually revivals came in the scattered congregations. The greatest revival period came about the turn of the century, as a result of which many were awakened from dead formalism to a new life. Unfortunately these periods of spiritual prosperity were followed by periods of decline, so that today frequently much superficiality is found alongside of a living faith, and we must confess that to some extent a falling away from the biblically sound Mennonite principle of church life is noticeable.

May God grant through His grace that the original form of true evangelical church life may develop further in such a way as to bless our congregations and to become a well-spring whose healing waters may make fruitful much waste land so that the fresh breeze of a gospel spring may transform the waste land into blossoming fields where spiritual life may flow unhindered.

May the Holy Spirit revive again our so richly blessed Mennonite congregation to a new comprehension and fulfillment of the practical tasks which lie before us, to the glory of our risen and ascended Christ, the Head of



# Jacob Hochstetler came in 1738

# By J. Virgil Miller

Ever since the history of the descendants of Jacob Hochstetler was published in 1912, it has been accepted that the immigrant came to America on the Ship Harle on September 1, 1736. William F. Hochstetler, who wrote the historical introduction did extensive research on the background of his ancestor, including the first land warrants issued to him in America. He had as a source of information on immigrant ships, Rupp's list of 30,000 names of people who entered the port of Philadelphia in the 18th century. But in 1934 another detailed work by Strassburger and Hincke, Pennsylvania-German Pioneers was published, that included not only the names of passengers on the various ships, but often two or three variant versions, and a volume that included reproductions of the actual signatures.

Rupp's list did not include the names of women and children on the Harle list. William Hochstetler' concluded that this was the right Jacob Hochstetler because his name was the only one on Rupp's list that had -ler as an ending among others like Hochstetter, Hoffstetter and Hostetter. But in two other versions of the Harle lists the name was spelled Hofstedler and Hoffstadler in Strassburger-Hincke. In one list the names Ma Eva Hochstettlerin, age 28 and Mar Catharina Hochstettlerin were named. Since Jacob in the same list was aged 32, we assumed that Eva was his wife, and Catharina a probable relative.

For the first time I began to doubt the validity of Jacob's coming on the Harle. Amish-Mennonite immigrants rarely had double first names, as I had noted on lists of families both in Europe and the early years in America. A seeming confirmation that our ancestor was the Harle Jacob was that he and a fellow-passenger named Valentin Neu, took out a land warrant in Bern Twp., Berks County together. The location of the land, and coming on the same ship made it almost certain that this was the right immigrant.

Paul Hostetler of Mt. Carmel, Connecticut, grandson of William F. Hochstetler, was born in Holmes County, Ohio near Trail, where his grandfather had lived and worked. He became interested in his ancestry and especially in his grandfather's research. He looked up the various homesteads of Jacob Hochstetler in Bern Township, Berks County. The one on the Northkill Creek, in what is now Upper Bern Township, was Jacob's home at the time of its attack by Indians during the French and Indian War. This farm is well-known to Hochstetler descendants. He also looked up Jacob's later farm in Heidelberg Township, where Jacob lived near his son Joseph after returning from Indian captivity.

Finally Paul became interested in what his grand-father described as Jacob's first farm, in Brecknock Township, Lancaster County. This was the earliest Hochstetler warrant, dated June 15, 1738. Then he began to probe into local records of the Muddy Creek Reformed Church, which was in the vicinity. There he found a record of a baptism for Anna Barbara Hochstetler, daughter of Jacob and Eva Hochstetler, on August 12, 1744. The baptism was in infancy by Jacob

Lischy of the Moravian Church. Further inquiry was made at the Moravian Archives in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania. Finally a record was found of the Muddy Creek congregation, which during Lischy's time, was affiliated with the Moravians. There Anna Barbara again appeared as the daughter of Jacob Hoffstadler, born in Unterauerbach near Zweibrucken in Germany, and his wife Maria Eva, nee Trautmannin. But there were also nine other brothers and sisters born between about 1730 and 1746.

What can we conclude from this? It appears that Jacob and his wife remained in the Muddy Creek community, at least until 1746, and Jacob Hochstetler had a warrant in Berks County in 1739. So it appears that there were two Jacob Hochstetlers. Fortunately there is another candidate close at hand. On the ship Charming Nancy, which came on November 9, 1738, was a passenger, age 26 on List A of Strassburger-Hincke, written Jacob (X) Hostedler; on List B it is written Jacob (X) Howstetter, and Jacob (X) Hochstadler on List C. The names were probably written by another person, since (X) means he did not write his own name. Two fellow-passengers on this ship, just next to him, were Abraham Kuntzi and Christian Miller, familiar names among the Amish-Mennonites of European communities at that time. This would make Jacob born in 1712 rather than 1704 as on the Harle. There is no clue as to his wife's name. One bit of confirmation that this may be the right person is that on this same ship, the Charming Nancy, one year earlier, the first large group of Amish-Mennonites arrived in Philadelphia on October 8, 1737. Further evidence could be the item found by Paul Hostetler in the Land Record Office in Harrisburg. In 1742 John Zug asked for a land warrant in Bern Township near Christian Miller and Jacob Hochstetler. We know that John Zug came to America in 1742 and this indicates that the other two preceded him. It may mean that the fellow-passengers held adjacent land warrants.

This still doesn't solve the question of the joint warrants between Jacob Hochstetler and Valentin Neu in Bern Township. It is possible that Jacob of the Harle helped Neu to finance his land, or vice-versa. It is not impossible that the two Jacob Hochstetlers were relatives, or at least knew each other. But the fact that the Amish-Mennonite Jacob remained staunch in his faith even through Indian captivity, and produced numerous progeny in the Amish and Mennonite churches, indicates that he was a strong adherent to that church. Any future Hochstetler histories ought to note the fact that previous histories relying on information then known failed to distinguish between the two families who came in 1736 and 1738.

The descendants as given by the Hochstetler genealogy are the same. It is thanks to the research of William Hochstetler's grandson that we now have this additional information. I myself published a history of the descendants of my great-grandfather, Noah H. Hochstetler of Holmes County, Ohio in 1972. The historical introduction was published in the Mennonite Historical Bulletin in 1977, before this new information was confirmed. So the immigration date must now be altered from 1736 to 1738.

# TO RECALL A FEW MEMORIES OF THE PAST

THE SPEICHER-SPYKER-S**PICHER FAMIL** Y

CONTINUED FROM THE SEPTEMBER 1979 ISSUE OF THE DIARY

We left off with the family of Christian Speicher Jr. born about 1766, number 143 with reference to Christian Speicher Sr., number 141. In September 1979 issue of The Diary we have failed to come up with the list of the children of this family. The writer has written several families in Somerset and also in Ohio about records of these old Speicher families but failed to come up with anything prior in 1800. In R. Austin Cooper's book of the two centuries of Brothers Valley of Somerset County, Pennsylvania, he lists several Speichers, one a John Speicher born 1816, died 1900. He moved to Alamakee County, Iowa in 1854 and in 1856 to Waterloo, as a minister with his wife Barbara Saylor. This must have been a grandson Christian and Christena (Mishler) Speicher either through Christian Ir. or his brother Joseph Speicher.

We also have a record from Somerset County of a Christian Speicher who had a son (144) John C. Speicher, born February 28, 1821, died January 20, 1897, married November 20, 1847, to Christena Miller, born May 24, 1826, died February 11, 1895, in Somerset County, daughter of Jonas and Catherine (Hershberger) Miller (who had moved from Somerset County, Pennsylvania, to Holmes County, Ohio in 1812). To John C. and Christena (Miller) Speicher were

born ten children.

1. Catherine Speicher, married Solomon J. Summy.

- 2. Elizabeth Speicher, married Benjamin Raber.
- 3. Benjamin Speicher, married Eliza Lahr.
- 4. Seth Speicher, married Catherine Sommers.
- 5. Amos Speicher, born 1858, died 1862.
- 6. Lucy Speicher, born 1860, died 1873.
- 7. Susan Speicher, married Daniel Kurtz.
- 8. Amanda Speicher, married Valentine Erb.
- 9. Lydia Speicher, married David Troyer.
- 10. Christena Speicher, born 1871, died 1872.

(145) Catherine Speicher (144) married to Solomon J. Summy, born 1854, in Holmes County, Ohio and in 1901 they moved to Somerset County, Pennsylvania. To them were born five sons, only three who grew to manhood.

(146) Benjamin Summy (145) born 1881, at Dundee, Ohio, married to Mary Wingard, second marriage to Francis Hershberger. No children were born to this

union.

(147) Yost Summy (145) born 1885 in Holmes County, Ohio married to Emma Kinsinger, born 1888 and lived in Somerset County, Pennsylvania. To them were born nine children, namely: (148) John Y. Summy (147) married Mary Wengerd, daughter of Daniel and Lydia (Hostetler) Wengard. Their son, Alvin Summy, married to Ida Kinsinger and lived in Somerset. Their son Henry J. married to Mattie Yoder. They lived in Mifflin County.

(147) Yost Summy (145) born 1885 in Holmes County, Ohio, married to Emma Kinsinger, born 1888 and lived in Somerset County. To them were born nine children namely; (148) John Y. Summy (147) married Mary Wengerd, daughter of Daniel and Lydia (Hostetler) Wengard. Their son Alvin Summy married to Ida Kinsinger lived in Somerset and their son Henry J. married to Mattie Yoder live in Mifflin County.

(149) Peat Summy (147) married to Effie Hochstetler, daughter of Solomon and Lena (Yoder) Hochstetler. They also lived in Somerset County with their family.

(150) Sadie Y. Summy (147) married to Milton Beachy, son of Noah and Katie (Schrock) Beachy of Meyersdale. (151) Salome Summy (147) married to Henry Swartzentruber, son of Simon and Daisy (Yoder) Swartzentruber of Oakland. (152) Katie Y. Summy (147) married to Paul N. Beachy, son of Noah and Katie (Schrock) Beachy. Paul died on February 7, 1959 at twenty six years of age when a load of hay upset throwing him on the road and leaving five children.

(151) Jacob Summy (145) born February 11, 1888. died 1970, married to Amanda Yoder, born 1892, daughter of Eli J. and Mary (Hochstetler) Yoder of Ford County, Kansas. Jacob and Amanda Summy also lived in Ford County until 1913 when they moved to Indiana and by 1916 they moved back to Ford County, Kansas agan. Then in 1921 they decided to move to Jump River, Wisconsin and then in 1942 they moved to Somerset County, Pennsylvania. They have four children. Much of the credit in this article must be given to Mary Summy a daughter of Jacob and Amanda who has compiled a booklet entitled Memoried of Jaoch Summy in 1977.

The second child of John and Christena (Miller) Speicher is (152) Elizabeth Speicher (144) born August 31, 1851, died November 8, 1931, married Benjamin Raber, born December 5, 1851, died 1934, son of Andrew and Fannie (Beachey) (Troyer) Raber. They lived at Millersburg, Ohio. To them were born four

children namely:

(153) John B. Raber (152) born 1876, died 1939, married first to Susan B. Miller, daughter of Bendict and Elizabeth (Hershberger) Miller. She was born in 1878, died in 1918, just three weeks after her youngest child, Noah, was born. John B. Raber then married to Lizzean Miller, a sister to his first wife. She was born July 2, 1886, died January 27, 1921, about two months after her only son, Alvin Raber, was born. John B. Raber then married in March of 1922 to Mary P. Hershberger, born December 1889, died June 11, 1922, just a little more than three months after they were married. John B. then married the fourth time to Mary D. Miller and had three children from this marriage. From three marriages were born sixteen children, four who had died young, the others were:

1. Benjamin J. Raber, born 1899, married Lizzie Miller. Their son John B. Raber is a minister in

Conneautville, Pennsylvania.

2. Levi Raber, married Salome H. Miller. Their son Ben L. Raber is a minister at Millersburg, Ohio.

3. Andres J. Raber, married Lucinda A. Raber. 4. John J. Raber, married Katie Garver, Florida.

5. Malinda J. Raber, married Moses A. Miller. Their son-in-law, Andrew E. D. Yoder is a minister at

Millersburg, Ohio.

6. Christ J. Raber married Elizabeth Schlabach, Plain City, Ohio.

7. Atlee J. Raber, married Katie A. Helmuth,

Nappanee, Indiana.

8. Noah J. Raber, married Elva Miller, Florida.

9. Alvin J. Raber, married Mattie Troyer, Millersburg, Ohio.

10. Lizzie J. Raber, married Roy J. Miller, Sugarcreek, Ohio.

11. Eli J. Raber, married Ida D. Miller.

The next son of Benjamin A. and Elizabeth (Speicher) Raber is (154) Andrew B. Raber (152) born 1887, married Mary D. Miller, daughter of Daniel C. and Catherine (Hershberger) Miller. They had four children to grow to adulthood and lived at Millersburg, Ohio. (151) Benjamin A. Raber (154) born 1902, married first to Irene Byler, daughter of Enoch and Ella (King) Byler, second to Katie Ann Miller, daughter of Moses and Susanna (Frey) Miller. They lived in Crawford County, Pennsylvania where Benjamin A. Raber was ordained a minister in 1934. Their children are mostly in Crawford County and a few in Geauga County, Ohio. A son Andrew B. Raber is in Mercer County, married to Salome Byler and was ordained a minister in 1969.

(156) Elizabeth Raber (154) born 1903, married to Sam D. Yoder, son of Daniel L. and Fanny (Miller) Yoder. They with their children lived around Fredericksburg, Mt. Hope, Orrville and Homesville, Ohio.

(157) Sarah Raber (154) born 1906, married to Christian P. Weaver, son of Peter A. and Mattie (Byler) Weaver. They with their six children live mostly around Fredericksburg and Apple Creek, Ohio.

(158) Ada Raber (154) born 1922, married to Dan Weaver, second to Christ A. Miller of Sugarcreek,

Ohio

The next child of Benjamin and Elizabeth (Speicher) Raber is (159) Moses B. Raber (152) born 1881 married to Bena M. Miller, daughter of Maneleus and Susanna (Miller) Miller of Holmes County, Ohio and lived in the vicinity of Baltic. To them were born thirteen children.

The next child of Benjamin and Elizabeth (Speicher) Raber is (160) Malinda Raber (152) born 1889, married to Gideon C. Yoder, son of Christ and Mary (Helmuth) Yoder. They were also of Holmes County, Ohio and were born to them eleven children, two of whom died young. They are:

1. Benjamin G. Yoder, married Amanda Hershberger.

She married second to Levi M. Beachy.

2. Christian G. Yoder, married Katie J. Miller. Their daughter, Ada C. Yoder, married to Mose Nisley, who was ordained minister in Knox County, Ohio in 1959. A daughter, Amanda C. Yoder, married to Henry E. Mast was ordained minister in 1975, and a son, John J. C. Yoder, was ordained minister and Bishop at Millersburg.

3. Andrew G. Yoder, married Lizzie J. Raber.

4. John G. Yoder, married Viola Shetler.

5. Daniel G. Yoder, married Amanda Kurtz. He was ordained minister in 1968 and Bishop in 1969. The writer had some correspondence with him concerning this Speicher—Raber family (see family number 171 of this article).

6. Abraham G. Yoder, married Lovina Burkholder.

7. Lizzie G. Yoder, married Amos J. Raber. He was ordained minister at Baltic, Ohio in 1954.

8. Henry G. Yoder, married Luella R. Yoder.

9. Amanda G. Yoder, married Eli S. Miller.

The next child of John and Christena (Miller) Speicher is (161) Seth Speicher (144) born 1856, married to Catherine Sommers. To them were born seven children and lived at Hartville, Ohio. Their children were living through out the western states such as New Mexico and California.

The next child was (162) Susan Speicher (144) born October 1, 1862, died 1946, married to Daniel Y. Kurtz, born 1853, died 1903, son f John H. and Druscilla (Yoder) Kurtz. They at one time were in Holmes County and also of Geauga County, Ohio. To them were born eleven children, several who died young.

1. Amanda Kurtz, married Noah O. Hershberger.

2. Durscilla Kurtz, married Peter J. Schmucker.

3. Ettie Kurtz, married Dan J. Miller.

4. Benjamin D. Kurtz married first to Lizziean Troyer, second Mary M. Miller.

5. Lydia Kurtz married Levi C. Yoder, second to Samuel A. Kinsinger, third to Eli Beachy.

6. Dinah Kurtz, married Samuel B. Frey.

7. Andrew D. Kurtz, married Sarah C. Beachy, second to Sarah Otto.

8. Daniel D. Kurtz, married Maryann J. Yoder.

9. Maryann Kurtz, married Noah S. Yoder.

(163) Amanda D. Kurtz, born 1882, married to Noah O. Hershberger born 1887 in LaGrange County, Indiana, son of Isaac and Franey (Miller) Hershberger. They lived for a time in Geauga County, Ohio but later moved to Independence, Iowa, where he died in 1965. They had three surviving children. (164) Ada N. Hershberger (163) born 1904, married to Raymond N. Yutzy. They had eleven children, several who lived in Plain City, Ohio and Emma R. Yutzi, married to Allen N. Miller, son of Bishop Noah Miller. They live at Sauk Centre, Minnesota. John R. Yutzi, married Edna Hostetler and lives at Milroy, Indiana.

(165) Menno Hershberger (163) born 1906, married Sadie Miller, daughter of Benjamin and Mary (Beachy) Miller. They lived in Buchanan County, Iowa as well as

most of their children.

1. Elmina M. Hershberger, married Chester Kauffman.

2. Cornelius M. Hershberger, married Clara Bontrager.

3. Amanda M. Hershberger, married Mose E. Bontrager.

4. Edna M. Hershberger, married Samuel J. Nisley.

- 5. Emma M. Hershberger, married Jerry E. Stutzman.
- 6. Mary M. Hershberger, married John E. Stutzman.
- 7. John M. Hershberger, married Ida E. Gingerich.
- 8. Katie M. Hershberger, married John G. Yutzi.

9. Ada M. Hershberger, married Eli J. Yoder.

(166) Emma Hershberger (163) born 1911, married John J. Schmucker. He was ordained minister in 1962 in Cashton, Wisconsin and Bishop in 1967. Their children are mostly in the same vicinity.

(167) Durscilla Kurtz (163) born 1883, died in 1950, married to Peter J. Schmucker born 1880. This family

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lived at Hartville. Ohio and are mostly affiliated with

the Mennonite Churches of various places.

(168) Ettie D. Kurtz (163) born 1886, married to Dan I. Miller of Plain City, Ohio. They had two children, (169) Susan D. Miller (168) married Abraham Yoder of Plain City, Ohio and (170) John E. Miller, married to Lora Sellers of Indiana.

(171) Benjamin D. Kurtz (163) born 1887, married to Lizzieann Troyer, second to Mary M. Miller, third to Mattie C. Wengerd and forth to Emma Miller. Their children are:

1. John B. Kurtz, married Ada Yoder. Their son-in-law, John B. Yoder, is a minister in Millersburg,

2. Fannie B. Kurtz, married to Levi H. Miller which is the maker of the old fashioned hickory rocking chairs. Their son Melvin L. Miller is a Deacon.

3. Amanda Kurtz, married to Daniel G. Yoder who is minister and bishop and is the same as number 160 in

4. Susan Kurtz, married Albert D. Hershberger.

5. Katie Ann Kurtz, married Dan J. Raber.

The next child of Daniel V. and Susan (Speicher) Kurtz is (172) Lydia D. Kurtz, born 1889, died 1964, married to Levi C. Yoder, born 1884. Before moving to Somerset County they had lived in Plain City, Ohio. Levi Yoder died a few years after marriage, leaving two daughters, Drusilla Yoder, married to Emanuel J. Hershberger of Somerset County, Pennasylvania, son of Joseph and Lizzie Hershberger. Malinda Yoder married Eli I. Sommers, son of Menno and Sarah (Hochstetler) Sommers. Malinda (Yoder) Sommers married her second husband, Harvey J. Tice of Pinecraft, Florida. Lydia (Kurtz) Yoder, number 172, married her second husband, Samuel A. Kinsinger, son of Abraham and Polly (Hochstetler) Kinsinger. Samuel died in 1934, Lydia then married to Eli Beachy, son of Noah P. and Barbara (Frey) Beachy of Springs, Pennsylvania. To Samuel A. and Lydia (Kurtz) (Yoder) Kinsinger were born six sons, namely: Daniel Kinsinger, married to Lydia N. Kinsinger of Meyersdale, Pennsylvania. Henry Kinsinger, married Jemima Zook from Lancaster County, Pennsylvania. Abe Kinsinger married Katie Beiler from Lancaster County. Andrew Kinsinger, married Mattie Lapp. He is the proprietor of the Gordonville Print Shop. Roy S. Kinsinger married Annie J. Zook. He was ordained a minister in 1966. All of these are in Somerset County except Andrew Kinsinger, who lives in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania.

The next of the children of Daniel and Susan (Speicher) Kurtz is (173) Dinah Kurtz (162) born 1891, married to Samuel B. Frey, born 1888, son of Benjamin and Katie (Beachy) Frey. They lived in Plain City, Ohio. They had thirteen children, several who had died young. This family is mostly around Plain City except Maryann who is married to Jonas A. Yoder who live in Jamesport, Missouri.

The next of the children of Daniel and Susan (Speicher) Kurtz is (174) Andrew D. Kurtz (162) born 1895 at Plain City, Ohio, married to Sarah C. Beachy, born 1897 in Fauquire County, Virginia, died in 1950 at Plain City, Ohio, daughter of Preacher Cornelius and



less Glick families are found in Western communities. LaGrange County, Indiana lists a few families but they are more readily found in tributary or outlying

communities in western states. It is hard to estimate an existing, Old Order table in these states since they are quite scattered. There are only two known ordained Glicks in western communities, one Bishop Milo Glick at Fredericktown, Ohio and Eli Glick in the Lodi, Ohio community.

In Lancaster County the rate of ordained Glick members is among the highest per family. Raber's ministers list gives 12 Glick ordained men in Lancaster County and one in Clinton County, Pennsylvania. Among the most well known of these are Bishop John S. Glick of Georgetown and John F. Glick of Gap.

A number of Glick families that adhered to the Amish church in Mifflin County, Pennsylvania, the last century, have all allied with Mennonite and related

congregations.

While tradition maintains that our Glicks have emerged in Mifflin County from non-Amish stock, it does in no way, outrule the possibility that Amish Glick families lived in our Fatherland who were related or even ancestoral to our Glick family today. To compile history practically, one must regard notes of tradition to bear some truth in over 90% of all cases. They can however, not be relied upon as being 90% true, unless they can be documented. Documents are also human and are interpertered by humans but they are the soundest base to built upon.

In general research we have observed a Glick family living in the heart of the Northkill church and again in Lebanon Valley a few Glick families are recorded who may have been close to or allied with the Amish there, fifty years before our Glick emerged in Mifflin County. Perhaps we should first turn to the Anabaptist field in Europe, to be better able to evaluate the firm, pious religious elements, the family may possess.

## The Glücks in Europe

Accounts of this family may not be so readily found in this field as some other Fatherland families but there are enough to raise the interest of the family. Of course in Europe we must resort to other and various spellings. The original name seems to be Glücki although Glück, Klück, must be considered in German areas, from which the family springs, when Glücky and Gliqui readings are found in France.

While the exact origin of the name is improbable to determine, it may or may not be of characteristic nature. In today's terms where it is used in America it is sometimes referred to as glück or glücklich which is defined to good luck, fortunate, happy or even blessed in german. On the other hand the original spelling appears as Glücki, which means a clucking hen or it can be clucking to something else. The name also intercedes so closely to Glock that this spelling is sometimes used for the former in France, yet the two names can hardly be accepted to be of one family. Glock is an old German family name, listed in Martyrs Mirrow as early as 1576, where the Glücki names appears to be much younger, at least in the Anabaptist field. The

presence of the name is not frequent enough to be recognized by the Mennonitisches Lexicon, in spite of the fact that this family seems to emerge in the Mennonite field in Germany. We have as yet no accounts of the Glück family in Switzerland.

Another suggestion to the origin of the name is, that they may derive from Glückstadt, a town in Northern Germany, where a strong Mennonite community existed from the early 1600's to the end of that century. In 1740, that community died out after King Frederick III issued a mandate that forbade toleratation of Mennonism as well as some banished Quakers that lived there. The remaining staunch Mennonites fled to other communities. If by chance some of these retreated to the Pfalz, it is natural that a name as Glücki may have been affixed to them.

In the years of 1728 and 1729 the churches in the Pfalz prospered spiritually, or increased in number in spite of the pressed state they were living in. In this German region these Swiss subjects were now under civil tolerated conditions that they could live there, but always subject to changes. When they came there the land was laid desolate and many fields remained barren from the results of the thirty years war. Living as peasants they were always tentants and by the time they had a farm in good state of production they were directed to another place that was yet barren. On top of that drough and pestilence visited the pfalz. In a letter to Holland, Burkhalter asked for relief from the Low German brethren, he adds, that in the summer of 1743, they suffered much from losses of thousands of heiffers and a few brethren have lost all their cattle from a disease. This loss was blamed, in large, on the French soldiers who were required to encamp on their hof. He adds that later also English and Austrian soldiers were permitted to encamp there.

On April 27, 1744, a new compulsory law was enacted by the Electorate that all the Swiss Mennonites whose sons have married shall leave the land and forbid any more Mennonites to come to the land from other countries. The Electorate also censored the churches and ordered that the community shall be reduced from 244 families, with 1370 souls to 200 families. Another act from the same source denied them to bury their dead in state graveyards. Upon this act, says Muller, that an unbroken line of Mennonites migrated to America. A surface study of Straussberger and Hinke shiplists may mark this time, the peak of german immigration to America. However many more other german groups immigrated than Mennonites which confirm the fact that other peasants, though more royal to the state church were also denied certain civil privileges and some may have been sympathetic to the Mennonites and embittered by the gross mistreatment.

Furthermore, Muller continues, that the conditions of these Swiss taufer is well known. He presents a list of 13 churches of 1731. The church of Streigenberg, 1 hour eastward of Ebinger consists of Heinrich Beer. Samuel Funk, two Hans Frei, Hans Bahr, Fr. Rohrer, Hans Hodel, Hans Funk, Hans Muller and Jost Glücki. The ministers are Chr. Jaurw, Hans Funk, Hans Heinrich Miller and Peter Plattle as deacon. (Ernst Müller pp 209-210).

Another account of Jost Glück appears from another source and of another nature. Appearantly the Mennonite Church, in the Pfalz, suffered disputation within. A group of members became lax in doctrine and differed in baptism principle. In the meantime Peter Weber from Hardenburg, who married Katherine Schmidt in 1750 and was chosen preacher in 1758. He became extreme Pietistic in his ministry. Young in his ministry, he travelled much and far, to visit nearly all European Mennonite communities. Besides this in his mission he wrote many exchange letters to ministers in 14 distant regions as west Prussia, Holland and Austria. The circumstanzes in his home churches were now ripe for him to undertake a revival sermon among the backsliding Pfalzer. While some members regarded his serman as an awakening call, Abraham Zeisset, the Elder resented to the movement and he at once silenced Weber with three other ministers namely, Abraham Bechtel, Jacob Krebbiel and Jost Gluck. This caused a greater uproar and a split followed. Abraham Zeisset called on the Jura ministry for aid. In 1766, Samuel Ramseier responded with other ministers of the Jura. They held a conference in the Pfalz on October 14 and 15. The conference upheld the conservative doctrinal view of Abraham Zeisset especially in baptismal practice. The conference seemed to sooth the wounds at first, but a month later the admonishment seemed to melt like snow in sunshine. No communion was held through the whole Oberland Pfalz region. A Zweischpald, (split) followed. In 1782, the aged Samuel Ramseier, journeyed for the last time, to instruct peace to the Mennonite Pfalzer. (Samuel Geiser pp 541-542).

For more accounts of the Glück family in Europe it is probable that we must turn to Western France. The French Anabaptist History, by Mathiot and Boigeol gives acknowledge to the Glück family in a least three spellings, on a chart with other Swiss taufernames but with this family they fail to quote the region of origin. This gives reason to believe that they did not originate in Switzerland, as did most of their brethren, rather they may have come from the Palatinate or even

The French Anabaptist history gives accounts of at least one Glücky family living among Alsation Mennonites (most likely Amish) in the second decade of the 1700's. Following are translated paragraphs from

the history. Translated by Dorothy Hege.

An "account of the domaine of Montbeliard with the Anabaptist farmers' for the years 1715 and 1716 is located in the Archives at Doubs; It gives the names of the principal heads of family with the location of their dwelling and the total of their rents. One finds here several names that appeared on the preceeding lists of Sainte Marie of the Mines in 1703 and 1708: besides it is clearly specified in the statistics of Clairegoutte and Etupes that such a family "comes from Sainte Marie of the Mines." Hans Roth is at Etupes; Jacob Bland at Beaulieu; Hans Baumgartner at Badevel; Hans Hochstettler at Clairegoutte; Peter Reich at Magny d'Anigon; Christ Hochstettler at Etobon; Ulrich Glacky (or Kliquel) at Magny d'Anigon; Hans Reinhardt at Bart; Steffan Rutzy at Schliffe of Bethoncourt; Christ Joder at Bavans; Christ Linder at Etupes; Jost Ioder at

Vernoy; Hans Zimmermann at Marchelavillers (near Abbevillers); Michel Mosimann at the Grange-Dame; Klaus Fahrni at Frederick-Fontaine; Hans Eicher at Belverne; Bentz Rubi, Hans Rohrbacher and Jacob Augsburger, who are named without any indication of location must have have been at Montbeliard itself.

It must not be believed that these people were the only Mennonites in the Country; Around the heads of family who had signed the leases were often grouped several families. There were the servants, friends waiting for a favorable time to take a farm under their own account, and abandoned people that the brothers welcomed with a spirit of charity.

On following pages are more translations in the same history of Gitick family environment in Alsace, France.

Among the question that developed during the time of transition or of change in administration was that of the very numerous cattle put in the grazing by the Mennonites farmers and that of exempting them from public charges. Already, under the rulership of Eberhard-Louis there had been claims from the people of the country against the farmers of Montbeliard who had too many cattle in their pastures. In 1733 Hans Hobert (Ober), Jacob Eicher, farmers from Granges of the Bois-Bourgeois, and Jacob Roth farmer of Gouttes asked for permission to keep perpetually 150 sheeps. The question was not settled until 1742: "The anabaptists of Gouttes, of Petite Hollande and of Montchevy are forbidden to have more than 30 sheeps."

Concerning the taxes and prestations it seemed hard to the proud citizens of Montbeliard to be less favorised than the foreigners, in reality if the Mennonites of the town were free of the annual contribution or of the charges for the roads, they were far from having the same rights and liberties than any other "subject of freedom."

The Magistrate of Montbeliard did not stop to molest them, pursuied them for the reason of the 530 and some pounds that they had to pay for the reparations: so it seems that they were taxed automatically, in spite of the insurance they had be given previously that they will be free of habitation tax and other charges. In 1732 the Council of Regency intervened and gave out a "mandate to the Swiss German or Anabaptist farmers of the property of the lordship to ask them to pay "to the Magistrate 250 pounds so that this later will stop any pursuit." After Eberhard-Louis had died, a catholic cousin, Charles-Alexandre, given the succession of the Principauty, and by his bad policy he provocated the occupation of Montbeliard by the army of Louis XV 1734, the authority of Montbeliard had to be quiet until 1736. But the French governor of Tornaco, very propitious to agriculture took both interests, these of the reigning duke and these of his farmers. He send to the Council of Regency from Montbeliard, just settled, the following letter written in June 20, 1736 in Onan:

"As I acknowledged that the Magistrate of the town vexes with impunity the Anabaptists who are farmers of the property of the lord which without the industry and laborious care of those people would only yield very little to the Prince, you will order them from me and in the name of the S. A. S., whatever it may be, they should no longer be worried, nor imposed a fag without having asked the Council, for the greatest prejudice of the interests of the Prince, what they had to support decided them to leave the country. The Magistrate is responsible of the excessive imposition raised to the charge of the same Anabaptists under the delayed pretext and of the roadway, from which Gentlemen, you will have care to take the precise informations and give a right satisfaction to these poor people who until now gave the interests and had served of examples for the lasy nation. I expect an answer in Besancon and do not accept the evil made to these people. Further, you have seen, Gentlemen, that I took with you the interest of the S. A. S to heart, I hope all will be regulated without passion of favour during my absence because I would be obliged to mentioned it to the S. A. S. and to take the right action.

Signed: De Tornaco, governor

No document allows to know the immediate result of this severe mercurial. Charles-Alexandre died suddenly in 1737. The minority of his successor Charles Eugene had given more authority to the Council of Regency, it seems that he finally ceded to the claims from the citizens of the town who in 1745 had decided that "all the Anabaptist have to work like the other inhabitants." The Mennonites were subdued to the prestations of upkeep of the roads, first in Montbeliard then in the villages of the County. Besides, they kept some of their immunities, as the ulterior protestations will bear witness.

During the time of confusion in the administration that lasted until the Versailles Convention in 1748 in France, and during the government of Charles-Eugene and his younger brother Frederic-Eugene, appointed mayor for life, the Anabaptists recovered and

multiplied in spite many contrary runnings.

In the villages and particularly in the region of the Bois of the lordship of Etobon, there always were some protestations against the old policy of Leopald-Eberhard who had put foreigners into an encroached territory and those had to support in spite of themselves the rebound. The receiver of treasury knew very well these arrangements that he hesitated to let the leases to the people of the country, that increased yet, their resentment. In 1733 an amodiation was passed to Jean Blank, Christian Blank, his father-in-law, Christian Blank, his father, missing and Ulrich Glücki for the 2 barns in Magny of Anigon, in paragraph 3 it is specified that "they will have a special care for the limits planted in 1716 in all the land belonging to the same farm and they would not take one off. If one would, they would have to denounce him first to the House and to the Gereral Attorney for arbitrary penaly according to the case and to all expenses, injuries and interest." The lease is for 18 years and was passed from 335 pounds. Jeremie Pochard from Magny doing an outbidding, offered 418 pounds after the closure of the auction. This obliged one of the associates, Ulrich Glücki to put on 420 pounds to keep the farm. It had been accepted but in reality it was not required: The Anabaptist gave only the 335 pounds from the first auction, a fraction was therefore raised in the village by Pochard who could not

admit this strange attitude of the Domain. Jean Blank preferred to leave, in 1737. He gave his lease to another Mennonite, Christ Lokbiehl, born in Equeville (Eggiwil) and to him, that time citizen in Audincourt in 1749 the Domain finally claimed an additional price of hiring, he answered by a petition. The affair languished until 1752: the receiver, that time in Lalance, resumed the question since his origin and acknowledged that in the right rule it should have been proceeded differently, declared according to his umble opinion it was only a matter of politic now.

Unfortunally the French history makes no further mention of our Glück family in France. The Gemeinde Register, by Hans Roth, lists two, Peter, son of Lousn Kluck of Hulter and Hans son of Christ Glück, son of Jean in unser gemeinhaus; Maria and Anna Glück, daughters of Jean of Montbeliard in 1896 baptisms and

Jean Gluck, son of Jean, Montbeliard.

No other records appear in our files to extend a close connection with those in Europe, to those who came to America.

## The Glicks in America

A Daniel Glick has long been an obstackle in the Hamburg-Sharlettville area. He was first noticed on tax returns then found on a late 1700 deed. He was located on the farm on the north side of old # 22 nearly a mile west of the Jacob Hertzler homestead. Adjoining east was the land grant of (strong) Jacob Yoder, on the south was Isaac Kauffman and west was the Jacob Kauffman family. In spite of his neat geographical location, surrounded by known prominent Amish members of the Northkill we have nothing documental to class him as such. His settlement was in the latter period of the existing church there and soon after 1800 his farm was sold to the Kauffmans. As far as is knwon there are no family ties by marriage or other social activity to confirm their alliance to the Amish church. Delbert Gratz, in Bernese Baptists, adds the Glick family to a permanent list of Amish in the Northkill. It is unkown to us what source the statement is based on, but such possibilities grow weeker as research advances.

Now as we turn to Dauphin County, the situation is different. In Bethel Township, we find \_ a land grant to John Glick. On assessment records he appears, first in 1808, with a group of other familiar names as, Knegy, Hershberger, Schrock, Winger, Bender, Lantz, Stealy, Lehman, Steckly, Seiler, Jacob Blanck, Lichti and Weaver. Since John Glick was married in 1795 or before, it is likely that he lived in Berks County before 1808.

In adjoining, Heidelberg Township, Dauphin County is a list of Miller families, which appear to be members of three seperate families. The 1785 assessment lists 14 individual Miller families. In 1788 the assessor begins to single them out by adding Nicholas son and Michael son to the given name to distingluish them. By 1805 the list becomes real interesting as the assessor names them by denomination. In 1805 we find that Michael's sons are marked Moravian and three Millers, namely Henry, David and Samuel are marked Amish. Samuel is listed as living at Klicks. This document may lead to a 62

solution to many questions that have been asked by Glick descendants the last century.

To compare notes of tradition with current research, plus a little more knowledgable research the scene may become more clear. We are fortunate to have at our desk, a box of letters, notes and family history that are the possessions of Barbara Stoltzfus King. It is obvious that her grandmother, Mrs. Elias Renno untook the task of compiling a Glick family history around 1924. Had this project been completed and published then it would serve as a very worthy and interesting piece. This box likely contains more history and details of this family to be found anywhere. Of interest is the number of questions, asked by Glick descendants in the 1920's. Much can be learned from the questions, but hardly a single answer exists in the pack. No. 1 was John Glick an Amishman or was he "taken in" by an Amishman to become Amish in that way? No. 2. Who was the family that raised John Glick after he was rescued from the Indians? No. 3. Who was the Amish girl that he married in Mifflin County? A question from the late C. Henry Smith, Newton, Kansas, (1922) was Geo. H. Glick a descendant of this John Glick? He came to Kansas from Pennsylvania and became governor of Kansas in 1866. Hardly a single answer is found in the family history pack.

An answer to number 1 question may never be known definately. All of these traditional notes say that John's father was Peter Glick. A Petter Gluck is given on Strassberger-Hinke shiplist, 121 C. He registered at Philadelphia on September 15, 1748. He signed his name himself. No other familiar Amish names

accompany the list.

On Pennsylvania Land warrants we find Peter Glick in Berks County in 1752, a tract of 30 acres was warranted to him but never issued. The tract was in "over the mountain" territory (now Schuylkill County). On Greenbriar Creek, on the road to Shamokin. We are not sure of the exact location of Greenbriar Creek, but the road from Reading to Shamokin can hardly be other than a trail nearly parrelling present route # 61. Likely the tract is just over the mountain from Hamburg. When a warrant agreement is never issued it is generally a sign of death to a warrantee before it is surveyed.

An Abstract of "Geistliche Magazine" published by Christopher Sauer, Philadelphia, reported in "The Indians of Berks County" gives an account of an Indian massacre of a Swiss-German immigrant, Peter Kluck on March 24, 1756. His farm is located about 14 miles from Reading. The house was set on fire by the savages and the whole family killed. Another source says that they had 14 children. While the magazine did not report any survivers it is still quite possible that at least one escaped.

To question number 2. An answer may likewise never be known. As we examine the Land Grant map, it is obvious that a number of Amish homes were within running distance, even for a child. It would be rather specular to single out a farm, but in convient range were Benedict Lehman, Jacob Hartzler, Hans Zook and others. If we extend the range another mile or two there were many Amish homes in the radius. It is much more

understanding now that John Glick was raised in an Amish home, although the home was much more apt to

be in Berks County than in Mifflin County.

The third question may be answered in the future. The note on the Heidelberg Township, Dauphin County document may be a clue to the answer. The three Amish Millers listed there are generally thought, by historians, to be sons of the immigrant Abraham Miller, who was a brother to Christian at Shillington. Pennsylvania and perhaps two more immigrant Millers. A sister to these Dauphin County Millers was Mrs. Jacob Esch. Jacob moved to Cambria County and was an early bishop there. Since all our notes from the Glick family history box say that John Glick was married to Magdalena Miller it is likely that she was a sister to the Miller brothers and Mrs. Jacob Esch, who also lived in the Miller cluster. If it is likely that Magdalena Miller Glick was a granddaughter of Abraham Miller must be ruled out later, but in every respect, in our point of view, she belonged to that family.

# The John Glick Family

The John and Magdalena (Miller) Glick Family

According to historical notes John was a son of Peter Glick, a Swiss-German immigrant who was killed by the Indians.

Magdelena Millers' parentage is not yet fully determined.

It is obvious from the birth dates of the children that they were married in 1795 or before. Since the Mifflin County Amish settlement was hardly settled at that date, they were married in Berks County or Dauphin County and settled in Bethel Township, on a 228 acre tract warranted to Abraham Weidman in 1761 and resurveyed to John Glick. (no date) [warrant book B-6-page 114]. They likely moved to Mifflin County between 1808-1820, where they died. Their burials have inscripted markers.

Children

- 1. Barbara born July 22, 1796, died 1830, married to William Heddings, died 1879, according to history notes he was a Scotch-Irish of Mifflin County where they lived and died. They were Amish.
  - 11. Jacob born February 28, 182212. Catherine born July 15, 1823
  - 13. John born March 26, 1825
  - 14. Magdelena born January 15, 1827
  - 15. Sarah born December 20, 182816. Barbara born September 5, 1830

According to the family bible William Heddings married again and was the father of 19 children. It is known that some of these children remained Amish and lived in Mifflin and Juniata Counties.

2. Magdalena Glick, born Dec. 16, 1797, married to Philip Headings, November 4, 1821. They also lived in

Mifflin County and were Amish. 20. Cathrina born August 21, 1822 21. Solomon born January 7, 1824

- 22. Samuel born June 6, 1826, lived in Lawrence County, Pennsylvania, died at West Liberty, Ohio.
- 23. Lydia born February 7, 1829
- 24. Magdalena born December 27, 1830
- 25. John born March 8, 1834, married Lizzie Yoder,

- Matawana, Pennsylvania
- 26. Jacob born April 12, 1836
- 27. Ezra Aaron born July 29, 1854, lived at West Liberty, Ohio
- 28. Menno born December 2, 1856, lived in West Liberty, Ohio
- 29. Barbara Ann born February 12, 1859
- 3. Anna Glick born April 23, 1799, married to Johannes Lantz. The family history gives no more on this family.
- 4. John Glick born May 3, 1801, married to Catherine Rothaker. No children.
- 5. Jacob Glick born September 29, 1803, married to Catherine Kinselspeiger. It is likely that this family moved to Indiana. According to the letters it appears as the western Glicks come from this family.
- 6. Catherine Glick born April 23, 1805, died in infancy
- 7. Samuel Glick born June 26, 1807, married Barbara Lantz, Fisher book number 1659. Samuel is the forebearer of a vast Glick family in Lancaster County, including the bishop Aaron H. Glick family, the Christian B. Glick family, the Moses Glick family as well as the Allgyer family, the deacon Tobias Stoltzfus family and others. This is a fast growing family in Lancaster County.
- 8. David Glick born February 4, 1813, married to Magdalena Lantz, Fisher book number 1715. David is the forebearer of many Amish in Lancaster County, including the late Bishop Aaron R. Glick line, the Jacob Glick line, near Bard's Crossing, the Isaac Glick family, Smoketown, and also ascends a vast Summer family who are mainly found in the Gap area and Chester County, as well as some in Ohio; the B. F. Lapp family, Gap; the John P. Kennel family, mainly in Chester County; the late Isaac Stoltzfus family, Morgantown; the late Elias Renno family, Intercourse, and many others.
- 9. Elizebeth Glick born June 7, 1815, died in infancy.
  10. Eliza Glick born September 18, 1818, married to William Mateer.



MEMCRIES OF THE PAST — Continued from page 27 Lena (Swartzentruber) Beachy. Andrew Kurtz married second to Sarah D. Otto of Arthur, Illinois. They moved from Plain City, Ohio to Buchanan County, Iowa.

To be continued — by Amos L. Fisher



# Our Fatherland in America



# The Glick Family

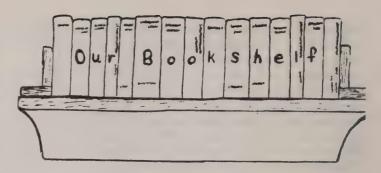
Glick is a well known Amish family name, in practically every state, where major church communities exist. In popularity they may rate a strong minority group. In Lancaster County, Pennsylvania,

where they are the most numerous, the growth or increase rate is well average or slightly above average to other Amish family names, considering their time span or the time that the Glicks first came to Lancaster County. This time span is just about 100 years compared to 170-180 years for other well established names.

The 1973 Lancaster County directory lists 82 Glick families compared to 506 Stoltzfus families. According to this directory the Glicks rank eighth in popularity. They follow the Zook and Esch-Esh name, and are followed by the Smucker-Smoker family in Lancaster County church districts in population rank. The rate of increase is noticably higher on birth columns, in the Diary, than competative families in popular rank. This increase is likely among the highest per family in Lancaster County.

While our Amish Glick stock seems to emerge from Mifflin County, Pennsylvania, the largest branch settled in Lancaster County It is known though, that branches of this Glick family has moved over the Appalachians and settled in Ohio and Indiana. Descendents of these branches have joined more elevated Mennonite affiliated churches at a much higher rate than the eastern branches. Therefore many continued on page 27

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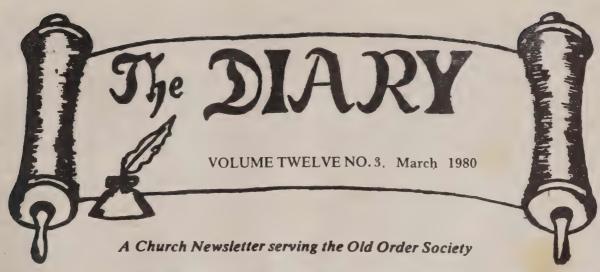
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BORN OCT. 8-1868.

ENOS "NOV. 27-1900

FANNIE BONTRAGER.

MILLIE "OCT 1.-1905

EZRABORN OCT. 21-1892

LYDIA" AUG. 18-1894

LEVI" JULY 18-1911

ANNA "AUG. 18-1895 MARY" OCT 27-1913

KATIE "APR. 26-1898

FANNIE BORN FEB 22-1897 DIED SEPT 25"

1897.

See Lifesketch and poems of M. E. Bontrager on page 16

# **COMMUNITY NOTES**

Haven, Kansas - Boy killed in cycle accident

Wayne Yoder, 19, met sudden death, March 23rd. According to reports the accident happened while a pickup truck was towing another pick up truck which was stranded in the ditch. The Yoder youth apparently drove into the pick up truck which was on duty crosswise on the road. He was instantly killed. The accident happened about 8 miles west from his home. About 21/2 miles west of Crupper Corner on a dark misty night. Apparently he failed the blinkers and the horn to warn him.

Paradise, Pennsylvania - Girl dies in car-buggy crash

Emma K. Fisher, #2 Paradise, 17, died instantly when a car colided head on, on a dark hill crest near Strasburg. Benjamin B. Lapp, 19, the driver of the buggy was also hopitalized with minor injuries. They were on their way home from a young folks frolick when the accident occured. (see obit.)

Parkman, Ohio - Senior member first burial in new graveyard

Mandy P. Miller, 101, the oldest Amish person in the community died of pneumonia, March 25th, at the home of her son Crist E. Surviving are five sons, 3 daughters, 25 grandchildren, 58 great-grandchildren, 30 great-great grandchildren. Her husband, Eli, proceeded her in death 46 years ago. 2 sons, 2 daughters also preceeded her. A new cemetery has been started on the farm of Lester A. Yoder and Mandy was the first to be buried there.

Millersbury, Ohio - Boy dies in single car accident

Edward W. Schlabach, 23, Star Route, Millersburg was dead on arrival on Saturday at the Pomerene Memorial Hospital. The accident occured on Rt. 557, just north of Farmerstown. According to the sheriff reports, Schlabachs car went through a fence then struck a pole after he lost control of his car on a curve.

Baltic, Ohio - Senior member dies

Lizzie Ann Barkman, 85, #1 Sugarcreek, Ohio died March 6, following a lengthly illness. She was the daughter of the late Moses and Catherine (Miller) Beachy. She was married on Dec. 11, 1917 to Jacob Barkman.

Ethridge, Tennessee - Couple dies four days apart

Mr. and Mrs. Ezra Miller died, March 18 and 22 respectively. Anna died the day after Ezras funeral. Ezra's age was 79. Quite a few relatives attended from other communities. (see obit)

New Haven, Indiana - Man dies of leukemia

Henry Graber, 60, New Haven died of leukemia, March 4. (see obit)

Smicksburg, Pennsylvania - Senior member dies

Sarah J. Schlabach, 91, died March 17. First marriage to Valentine Hostetler who died in 1936. 2nd marriage to Erwin Schlabach, Middlefield, Ohio in 1938. He died in 1954. Apparently she lived with her children in Smicksburg where she died. It is likely she was a native of Geauga County, Ohio. (see obit)

New Wilmington, Pennsylvania - Man dies of heart attack

Joseph S. Byler, 78, died March 16 rather unexpectedly after coming home from a trip to Middlefield, Ohio to visit his brothers and sisters. Death was apparently due to a heart attack and was found in bed the next morning by daughter Mary Ann. (see obit)

Gordonville, Pa. - Man receives injuries while doing barn chores

John Fisher from Intercourse had a bad accident while doing their morning chores, being darker than usual because of a blackout in the nearby town. He ran into a two horsecart. The impact cut his leg between the knee and ankle. The leg was nearly cut off. He was taken to the hospital with an ambulance. He was in the hospital for about a week. He has pins in his leg now. They want to put a cast on in about 4 weeks. The doctor says he won't be able to be on his foot for about 6 months.

Rexford, Montana - Sawmill accident

Simon Miller received a broken ankle from an accident at the mill. He will receive a walking cast.

Guthrie, Kentucky - Grindstone accident

Ezra Miller Sr. received cuts in his arm while sharpening a knife on a grindstone. The grindstone was running at excessive speed an flew to pieces. He was hit on the left arm in the back of the wrist. His arm was broken in 3 places. He was taken to the hospital where he received surgery, and later skin grafting.

Sugarcreek, Ohio - Boy struck by falling tree

David, 9, son of Daniel and Mary (Yoder) Miller #2 Sugar Creek was struck by a falling tree, March 15 and returned home from the hospital March 23.

Navarre, Ohio - Family meets accident

Jacob J. Swartzentrubers, near Wilmot, with 2 small children met with an accident Friday afternoon at the junction of Rt. 62&93 when their horse spooked and jumped in front of a car. They were all hospitalized. Delila has both hips broken, Harvey, the three month old baby has pneumonia. The horse received a broken leg and needed to be killed.

Arthur, Illinois - Boy has a mishap at feed mill

Harvey Lee, 19 had a mishap at the feed mill of Ivan Schrocks. He broke one of his shoulders and the small finger on the left hand. He was taken to the Springfield Hospital.

Clark, Missouri - Man looses hand in sawmill accident

Harvey Lambright, a hired hand at Reuben Yoder sawmill had the misfortune on March 19 of getting his hand sawed off a little above the wrist with the cut off saw. It grabbed the boards and jumped out unexpectedly. He was in Moberly Hospital overnight twice. He's getting along alright. He has a wife and 4 small children, all under school age.

Huntingdon, Tennessee - Logging Accident

Eli A. Borntreger of #2 Huntingdon was hurt in the woods while cutting trees for logs. Several trees were cut and hanging on each other. He was trying to get them down and somehow he was hit in the face breaking both jaws. He was conscious but couldn't tell exactly how it happened. Toby Hochstetler and Freman Mast were nearby but didn't see it happen. He was taken to the hospital in Jackson where they bolted a brace onto his jaws. The accident occured Friday, February 29, 1980 and the following Monday he was released from the hospital.

Conewango Valley, New York - Wood saw accident Enos H. Miller, 32, was helping buzz wood, March 26 when the saw somehow caught on wood and broke, a piece hitting him in his chest which punctured his one lung. They think probably the wood flew and hit him above and beside his eye, breaking the bone in a few different places. Also his cheek bone kinda crumbled so that they put 11 feet of packing in to keep his eye in place. It might take another operation to fix it. He may take only liquids and soft foods for 3 weeks. He was in the hospital 3 days. He's married to Rosie, daughter of Mose B. and Martha Shetler.

Cooper County, Missouri - Large land purchase

Several farm sales were held among the Amish in March, due to the fact that a new Amish settlement is taking root in Missouri. 1 family has moved already from our community and 7 or 8 more plan to move in the next couple months. The new community is in Cooper County about 10 miles south of Booneville. Praire Home will be their mail address. 1 family from Stueben Co., Indiana has also moved there and 1 family from Clark, Missouri is also planning to move there. They bought a 1300 acre tract of land which they divided in about 11 farms with several sets of buildings on it, so most of the family will have to put up all of their buildings.

Kokomo, Indiana - Community note

March 18 Henry and Mary Otto were on their way home from Kokomo in late afternoon and wanted to cross Sycamore Road 3 miles east of town. After starting across they noticed another car coming but it was too late to get out of the way. The car hit the right hind wheel, crushing it. Henry had a whiplash but Mary has a fractured pelvis so she has to stay in the hospital 3 weeks. Some of her ribs were also hurt.

New Wilmington, Pennsylvania - Community notes

Amos E. Byler had open heart surgery at Youngstown Hospital to put a bypass in. Was in hospital around 10 days and by last reports was getting along alright.

Mrs. Eli K. Kurtz, New Wilmington, Pennsylvania met with an accident when she was hit by a truck. She received a cut on her cheek and a broken nose.

Mrs. Andy B. Hostetler, New Wilmington, Pennsylvania missed her step and fell down several steps bruising her arm and face.

Annie, 4, daughter of Enos S. Yoders fell in their barn and received a broken arm.

Leon, Iowa - House fire

Amos Zehrs were awakened one night recently by the baby's coughing and a very strong smelling smoke. They quickly got up and found that some clothes hanging near the stove had started smouldering but was not flaming until they moved them no damage was done to the house except a few spots on the floor and a rocking chair.

Beebe, Arkansas - Freak accident

Lester F. Grabers had a freak accident one night when a speeding car almost hit their buggy, but just took off the front left wheel. No one was hurt and much to be thankful for. They just kept going and never stopped.

Ivan Shetler lost a work horse recently. Possible cause of death was lightning. He was going to sell him, but hadn't done it yet. He

was a blind horse.

Ethridge, Tennessee - Community note

David N.Byler got his leg hurt so that he was limping for a few days and missed church once, when a new horse he had hitched up ran away.

Sammie, son of Andy S. Yoders got kicked by a horse on the forehead so that he needed a few stitches.

LeRaysville, Pennsylvania - Community note

Andy A. Byler received a broken foot on March 3rd while helping slide a compressor down some planks off a table. A plank slipped off the table and the weight of the compressor broke his foot which was underneath the plank. He has a walking cast and is getting along fine.

**Huntingdon, Tennessee - Community notes** 

Enos Eicher was having back trouble all winter, not able to do hardly any work and kept on getting worse, not getting any results from chiropactor treatments. His trouble continued to become worse, he was admitted to Mexico Hospital then transferred to Columbia where they are taking tests and x-rays. The cause of his trouble is really not known yet, but it was said he's got an absess in his back. He's young married and has one child.

Quite a lot of people were having colds and flu. Some were hit

pretty hard with it Jonas Nissley had pneumonia.

While traveling a narrow country road. Adam S. Borntreger turned out to let a school bus pass. He got too close to the side ditch and the buggy tipped over. His wife Mary and son Amos were with him. He had a sore neck, but otherwise they escaped injuries.

Nathaneal L. Borntrager, 14 year old son of Levi S. Borntrager was seen with a bandage on his head. He got hurt while working in

the woods.

Seymour, Missouri - Community notes

Sam C. Schwartz went in the hospital January 19 for a total hip joint operation. He was having quite a bit of trouble walking before because of the right hip joint had deterated badly. Is now getting around on crutches and a lot less pain.

Menno D. Schwartz also had the same operation on February 17. He was admitted and got along very good, hardly no pain. And was out in 10 days. And never needed crutches and that ill feeling of rheumatism, all gone, but this is a kind of operation which needs to be taken very slow in getting around because of that joint slipping out at first. Some have had to do it over. It is getting to be a very common operation.

Windsor, Missouri - Community note

Mrs. Andy Weaver (cancer patient) was back to Illinois for her check up and on to a wedding in Iowa. She feels good and seemingly gaining very well. My mother (Mrs. Dan Stutzman) finally seems to be gaining since she got down with flu in Feb. but not to church yet.

Audrain County, Missouri - Community notes

Eli C. Yoder, son of Levi was 2 years old on Feb. 24 and was admitted to Anerivity Hospital in Columbia, on Feb. 12 where he had his left eye removed. He was released on Feb. 16. He had lost his eyesight due to a disease, Retino Blastom (cancer) which is a malignant tumor that can spread to other parts of the body. Test all showed clear except in his right eye which has a considerable amount of tumor in it. But at this time he could still see with it. They are doctoring for him in Texas presently, rather then taking Radium treatmant.

Hazelton, Iowa - Community note

Preacher Jonas Heimuths' about holding his own. He needs much care.

Mrs. Eli J. Bontrager, Susie, a cancer victim is bedfast and

seems doctors have no help for her. It takes more then pain pills to keep her quiet.

Norwich, Ont. Canada - Community note

Ammon, 1 year old son of Levi J. and Lydia Miller, #1 Mt. Elgin spent overnight in the hospital with a broken leg he received on March 9 at his grandparents place where he was spending the day while his parents were in church. One of the girls had him on a chair by the window where she had been playing with him when she wanted to set him down on the floor he didn't put his feet under him and fell. He is at home and was in traction for 2 weeks.

Fremont, Indiana - Community note

My father, Noah N. Eicher was again admitted to the hospital March 17 to 24th. This time for low blood pressure, low potassium, high sugar, then the doctor found his kidneys not functioning right due to forcing to much fluid so fast through his kidneys from his last hospital stay. He was not improving much. Our doctor went on vacation and got another doctor to take his place. The new doctor sent him home from hospital March 24th but he was not in shape to go home then yet. He ate nothing anymore. By Tuesday afternoon March 25 they noticed he was starting with a stroke on his right side. Wed. afternoon he was again hospitalized, still not eating and was in serious condition having intervaneous and oxygen at times. On Sunday he started having seizures or mini strokes every 5 or 6 minutes up until this writing. The doctor said his condition is now serious. His kidneys are not passing off fluid anymore. He is on oxygen and IV constantly now and is very low. My mother is the former Katie Y. Beiler of Lancaster, Penna. and they would be glad to hear from friends and relatives. Expenses are also very high. Their address is 661 Southern Road, Montgomery, Michigan 49255

Editors note - Since it is the practice of Old Order churches to give mutual aid, let us remember those in need. Todays hospital expenses are very high.....

# **BIRTHS**

Conewango Valley, New York

Byler, David A. (Lizzie Miller), a dau. Rebecca, Mar. 6 Miller, David S. (Edna Miller), a dau. Frany, Feb. 29 Miller, Henry E. (Mary Miller), a dau. Ella, Mar. 4

LeRaysville, Pennsylvania

Yoder, Ira D. (Christena N. Mast), Rome #1, a dau. Katie, Mar. 18

Montour County, Pennsylvania

Stoltzfus, Andy H. (Fannie S. Stoltzfus), Danville #3, a dau. Annie, Mar. 27

Stoltzfus, John E. (Ada Miller), Bloomsburg #1, a son Joe, Mar. 21

Dauphin County, Pennsylvania

King, Jonathan (Rachel Riehl), Spring Glenn, a dau. Arie, Mar. 24

Lebanon County, Pennsylvania

Stoltzfus, Benjamin F. (Fannie G. Lapp), Myerstown #1, a dau. Sadie, Feb. 29

Yoder, Sylvan (Lydia K. Lantz), Newmanstown #2, a son Mahlen, Mar. 18

## Lancaster County, Pennsylvania

Allgyer, Amos (Lydia Smucker) #1 Kinzer, a son March 2.

Allgyer, David (Mamie Stoltzfus) #1 Bird-in-Hand, a son Daniel S., March 13.

Beiler, Aaron E. (Katie Ann Smucker) #3 New Holland, a son Mervin, March 23.

Beiler, Andrew L. (Ada Esh) #1 Paradise, a dau. Elizabeth, March 6. Beiler, David Z. (Katie Kauffman) Ronks, a dau. Sadie K., Feb. 12.

Beiler, Elmer (Annie King) Lancaster, a son Eli, March 26.

Beiler, Marcus B. (Sara E. Beiler) #2 Holtwood, a dau. Annie M., Feb.

Ebersol, Amos (Lavina Stoltzfus) Ronks, a dau. Lavina, March 2.
Esh, Benuel S. (Annie E. Beiler) #2 Ronks, a son Abner B., March 11.
Fisher, Benuel L. (Rebecca Stoltzfus) Ronks, a son John R., March 18.
Fisher, Daniel M. (Sadie Petersheim) #1 Strasburg, a son Leroy M,
March 4.

Fisher, Mose P. (Nancy Jane Riehl) #2 Gap, a son Vernon R., March 24

Glick Abner Z. (Barbara E. Kauffman) #3 Quarryville, a dau. Anna,

Glick, David (Barbara Petersheim) #3 Quarryville, a son Moses, March 15.

Kauffman, Levi P. (Rachel King) #2 Honey Brook, a dau. Rebecca K.,

King, Benuel F. (Elizabeth Stoltzfus) Lancaster, a dau. Anna S., March 1.

King, Daniel M. (Susie F. King) #2 Paradise, a son Raymond K... March 31

King, David (Annie Stoltzfus) Gordonville, a son Samuel, March 29 King, Emanuel E. (Hannah Stoltzfus) #2 Narvon, a dau. Miriam Ann.

King, John (Leah King) Gordonville, a son, John Glen, March 22. King, Leroy (Naomi Esh) Gordonville, a son Alvin, March 17.

King, Moses B. (Barbara S. Esh) Lancaster, a son Abram E., March

Lapp, Aaron E. (Lizzie Blank) #1 New Holland, a son John B., March

Lapp, Amos K. (Lydia Lapp) Gordonville, a son Melvin, March 20. Lapp, Samuel K. (Naomi Glick) #2 Gordonville, a son Daniel S., March

Miller, Benjamin S. (Arie K. Glick) #1 Paradise, a dau, Malinda G., March 22

Miller, David (Sylvia Beiler) Bird-in-Hand, a son Marlin Lee, March

Riehl, Daniel E. (Mary King) #3 Oxford, a dau, Anna. March 29.

Riehl, John (Rebecca Stoltzfus) #1 Gordonville, a son Omar S., March

Riehl, Stephen S. (Elizabeth B. Esh) #1 Lincoln University, a son Elmer E., Feb. 27.

Smucker, Amos J. (Mary B. King) #2 Narvon, a dau. Mary, March 5. Stoltzfus, Amos Jr. (Lydia Mae Zook) #1 Christiana, a son Alvin, Feb.

Stoltzfus, Andrew Jr. (Rachel Kauffman) #1 Kirkwood, a son John, March 15.

Stoltzfus, Ben (Annie Zook) Ronks, a son Melvin, March 4.

Stoltzfus, Christ S. (Priscilla Lapp) #1 Christiana, a son, March 5.

Stoltzfus, Elam (Anna Mary Fisher) Leola, a dau., Anna Mary, March

Stoltzfus, Erbie (Fannie S. Stoltzfus) #1 Morgantown, a dau. Naomi, March 27.

Stoltzfus, John (Barbara K. Stoltzfus) Lititz, a dau., March 19.

Stoltzfus, John B. (Malinda Glick) Leola, a son, March 9.

Stoltzfus, John F. (Rebecca K. Beiler) Bart, a son John, March 3. Stoltzfus, Joshua L. (Emma Stoltzfoos) a son, Benjamin, Feb. 25.

Stoltzius, Reuben (Sadie Stoltzus) #1 Morgantown, a son Ernest Duane, March 28.

Stoltzfus, Samuel F. (Malinda S. Fisher) #1 Christiana, a dau. Priscilla F., March 2.

Stoltzfus, Samuel J. Jr. (Mary Kauffman) Bird-in-Hand, a dau. Sylvia K., March 1.

Stoltzfus, Samuel K. (Fannie Esh) #3 Quarryville, a son Stephen E., March 6.

Stoltzfus, Stephen (Rachel Lapp) #3 New Holland, a son David Ray, March 9

Stoltzfus, Stephen Jr. (Sara Stoltzfus) Gordonville, a son, March 9. Stoltzfus, Steven (Arie Stoltzfus) Gordonville, a son, March 31.

Yoder, Henry K. (Emma F. Miller) #1 Kirkwood, a dau. Malinda M., March 25.

Zook, Benjamin (Fannie Beiler) Lancaster, a son Reuben, March 3 Zook, Jonathan (Mary Fisher) #1 Christiana, a son Steven Lee, March

#### Dover, Delaware

Troyer, Melvin A. (Sadie J. Mast) #2 Dover, a dau. Alma Mae, March

#### St. Marys, Maryland

Zook, Ben F. (Naomi Hostetler) Mechanicsville, a dau. Molly, Mar. 21.

# Delta [York County], Pennsylvania

Stoltzfus, David (Sara Anna Beiler) #1 Airville, a dau. Sadie, Mar. 15.

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Mt. Pleasant Mills, Pennsylvania

Troyer, Sam S., (Ida Christner), Mt. Pleasant Mills, a son Alvin, Feb.

Mifflin County, Pennsylvania

Byler, Daniel (Mary Swarey), Belleville, a son Norman, Mar. 21 Kanagy, Stephen (Lizzie Yoder), Belleville, a dau. Lizzie, Mar. 2 Peight, Louie (Sarah Swarey), Belleville, a son Norman, Mar. 27 Swarey, Isaac (Lavina Kanagy), Belleville, a dau. Julia, Mar. 16 Zook, Jonas (Sarah Detweiler), Allensville, a son Bennie, Mar. 7

Adams County, Pennsylvania

Stoltzfus, Israel Z. (Eva M. Kauffman), Gettysburg R9, a son Moses Lee, Mar. 6

Somerset County, Pennsylvania

Hertzler, Albert (Martha Troyer), Grantsville, a dau. Leah, Mar. 15 Summy, Floyd (Katie R. Kinsinger), Salisbury, a son Henry, Mar. 13

Oakland, Maryland

Kauffman, Josey A. (Abbie Schrock), Oakland, a son Gerald Evan, Mar. 12

Southern Mercer County, Pennsylvania

Byler, John S. (Emma L. Byler), Pulaski #1, a son Sam, Mar. 1-Hostetler, Eli E. M. (Annie S. Yoder), Mercer #1, a son Aaron, Mar.

Hostetler, Seth J. (Sarah S. Wengerd), New Wilmington #1, a dau.

Lee, Levi E. (Mary A. Byler), New Wilmington #1, a son Wallace

Mercer County, Pennsylvania

Byler, Eli J. (Mary Ann Hochstetler), a son William, Mar. 18

Geauga County, Ohio

Bricker, Andy W. (Mary Ellen Leslein), Middlefield, a son, Feb. 20 Byler, Eli W. (Sylvia Weaver), Middlefield, a son Aaron, Feb. 27 Byler, John J. (Esther Miller), Orville, a son Micheal John Detweuer, Eli D. (Elva Kurtz), rarmington, a son Benny, Feb. 24 Kuhns, Freeman F. Jr. (Sarah Hershberger), Middlefield, a dau. Martha, Feb. 29

Kurtz, Dan (Katie Yoder), Middlefield, a dau., Mar. 6 Kurtz, Melvin (Maryann), Middlefield, a son, Mar. 7

Miller, Andrew A. C. (Ada E. Miller), Middlefield, a son, Mar. 19 Miller, Eli D. Y. (Miriam Kempf), Middlefield, a son Samuel, Mar. 24

Miller, Joe (Alma Byler), Middlefield, a son, Feb. 22 Miller, Joe J. L. (Katie Byler), Middlefield, a son, Mar. 7 Miller, Martin A. (Martha), Middlefield, a son, Mar. 21

Miller, Norman J. (Kathy Burkholder), Middlefield, a dau., Mar. Miller, Robert E. (Mary Ellen Fisher), Middlefield, a son, Mar. 17 Mullet, Allen (Mary Troyer), Middlefield, a dau. Susan, Mar. 28 Raber, Ben (Susan Stutsman), Hiriam, a dau. Sarah Marie, Mar. 5 Slabauch, Mahlon (Ida Miller), Burton, a son Paul, Mar. 3 Yoder, Mahlon (Fannie Yoder), Middlefield, a dau. Erma, Mar. Yoder, Crist S. (Ada Miller), Middlefield, a son James, Mar. Yoder, Jake (Sarah Miller), Middlefield, a son Marvin, Mar.

Holmes County, Ohio

Beachy, Wayne H. (Laura Kay Miller), Fredericksburg #2, a son Reuben, Feb. 26

Bowman, Alvin J. (Sarah Stutzman), Millersburg #5, a son Samuel, Mar. 6

Burkholder, Jonas P. (Catherine Troyer), Sugarcreek #2, a son Marvin, Mar. 16

Burkholder, Wayne P. (Susie J. Yoder), Baltic, a dau. Anna, Feb. 23 Erb, Edward M. (Malinda E. Miller), Sugarcreek #1, a son Dwayne Allen, Feb. 26

Erb, Mr. and Mrs. Sam A., Millersburg #5, a son Mervin, Feb. 18 Hershberger, Mose V. (Clara Miller), Millersburg #3, a son Andy, Feb. 27

Hershberger, Melvin S. (Esther Miller), Fredericksburg #2, a dau. Freda, Feb. 11

Kuhns, Robert R. (Mary Schlabach), Millersburg #5, a son David, Feb. 13

Miller, Atlee J. (Elizabeth Miller), Millersburg #5, a son, in Feb. Miller, Danny R. (Mary Raber), Baltic #1, a dau. Lovina, Mar. 19

Miller, Jacob D. (Esther Lehman), Millersburg #5, a dau. Feb. 21 Miller, Jacob S. (Esther Hershberger), Millersburg #2, a dau. Susie, Mar. 14

Miller, Joseph D. (Katie R. Miller), Baltic #1, a son Myron, Mar. 9

Miller, Mose (Katie Kline), Millersburg #5, a son, Feb. 15 Miller, Roy M. (Esther H. Miller), Sugarcreek #1, a son, Mar. 17 Raber, Alvin P. (Esther Yoder), Millersburg #3, a dau. Fannie Mae, Mar. 12

Schlabach, Ivan A. (Elsie Garber), Sugarcreek #2, a dau. Amy, Mar. 14

Schrock, Marion (Fannie Yoder), Millersburg #5, a dau. Clara, Feb. 6 Stutzman, Jonas P. (Ada Mast), Fredericksburg #1, a dau. Susan, Mar. 1

Troyer, Pre. Abe S. (Mary Schlabach), Sugarcreek #2, a dau. Linda, Mar. 12

Troyer, Levi S. (Martha J. Erb), Sugarcreek #1, a son Ora, Feb. 21 Weaver, Lester I. (Esther D. Schlabach), Dundee #2, a son Daniel, Feb. 17

Yoder, Abe A. (Alma Smucker), a daughter Naomi March 21 Yoder, Abe L. (Barbara Troyer), Millersburg #5, a dau. Louella, Feb.

Yoder, Abe M. (Susan Miller), Sugarcreek #2, a son Robert, Mar. 16 Yoder, Dan A. (Katie N. Yoder), Dundee #2, a dau. Esther, Feb. 13 Yoder, Dan E. (Mary Schrock), Millersburg #2, a son Eli, Feb. 28 Yoder, Roy J. (Sarah Hershberger), Millersburg #2, a dau. Lovina, Mar. 13

Yoder, Ivan M. (Viola J. Erb), Sugarcreek #1, a dau. Linda Kay, Feb. 17

#### Ashland County, Ohio

Coblentz, Andy R. (Verba R. Yoder), a dau. Lucy, Mar. 9 Keim, Joe A. (Annie H. Raber), a dau. Rachel, Mar. 15 Troyer, Abe A. Jr. (Cora C. Miller), a son Noah, Mar. 17

## Frederickstown, Ohio

Miller, Roman M. (Anna Chupp), Frederickstown, a dau. Rebecca, Mar. 13

#### Hicksville, Ohio

Yoder, Lavern (Susan Hershberger), Hicksville #1, a son Merle, Feb.

#### Adams County, Indiana

Christner, Enos C. (Rebecca T. Schwartz), a son Alvin, Feb. 10 Ficher, Ernest V. (Rachel Miller), a dau. Rachel, Mar. 5

Eicher, Jake V. (Emma Gingerich), a son Jacob, Mar. 8

Eicher, Dan A. J. (Becky K. Schwartz), a son Noah, Mar. 26 Graber, Reuben J. (Barbara Ann Hochstetler), twin sons Daniel & David, Mar. 1

Hilty, Henry M. (Verna L. B. Schwartz), a dau. Barbara, Mar. 14 Neuenschwander, John (Lizzie M. Schwartz), a dau. Lizzie, Mar. 12 Schwartz, Amos L. (Emma K. Schwartz), a son Daniel, Feb. 19 Schwartz, Raymond M. (Josephine G. Schwartz), a dau. Bertha, Mar.

#### Allen County, Indiana

Graber, Marlin (Susan Graber), a dau. Lydiann, Mar. 6

Graber, Paul (Frances Schmucker), a dau. Marilyn Kay, Mar. 13 Schwartz, Daniel (Annie Lengacher), a dau. Leanna, Mar. 8

#### Steuben County, Indiana

Graber, Alivn (Barbara Zehr), Hamilton, a dau. Barbara, Feb. 23
 Schwarzt, Joe R. (Fannie Borntreger), Hamilton, a dau. Barbara, Mar. 4

#### Branch County, Michigan

Girod, Reuben A. (Barbara N. Schwartz), Reading, a dau. Effie, Mar.

#### LaGrange County, Indiana

Bontrager, Ervin L. (Linda Sue Hochstedler), a son Jesse, Feb. 21 Eash, Melvin (Alta Miller), Shipshewana #1, a dau. Ina Fern, Mar. 4 Hershberger, Glen (Vera Mast), Howe, a son Melvin G., Feb. 25 Kauffman, Elmer (Polly Anna Miller), Shipshewana, a son Benny Ray, Miller, Aaron (Ruth Byler), Ligonier, a son Jonas

Miller, Ernest R. (Irene Miller), a dau. Marilyn Sue, in Mar. Miller, Howard (Edna Fern Bontrager), a dau. Anita, Mar. 4 Miller, Marvin (Katie Miller), #1 Shipshewana, a son Vernon M., March 2.

Miller, Roy (Wilma Bontrager), Middlebury, a dau. Clara

Raber, Lavern (Leona Hostetler), Shipshewana, a son Norman, Feb. 24

Schrock, Alvin S. (Ruby Yoder), Middlebury, a dau. Mary Ann Schrock, Olen (Orpha Graber), LaGrange, a dau. Naomi O., Mar. 4 Slabach, Wayne (Elsie Beechy), a son Leon, Feb. 26 Stutzman, Howard (Lena Slabach), Middlebury #3, a dau. Lorraine, Mar. 1

Yoder, David (Wilma Miller), Wolcottville, a son John, Mar. 8

## Nappanee, Indiana

Hochstetler, Henry, (Rosellen Slabaugh), a dau. Regina, Mar. 10 Hochstetler, Lyle (Mary Mullet), a son Wyman Andrew, Mar. 3 Miller, Leen (Judy Schwartz), a dau. Linda Sue, Mar. 23 Miller, Levi M. (Katie Bontrager), a son John James, Mar. 6

Kokomo, Indiana

Bontrager, Lonnie (Sara (Miller), a son David Allen, Jan. 29 Otto, Paul (Sara Kauffman), a dau. Charlene Rose, February 9. Miller, John E. (Rachel Miller), a dau. Mary Esther, March 4. Herschberger, Eugene (Edna Mae Miller), a son Marcus Ray, Mar. 31.

#### Daviess County, Indiana

Eicher, Philip (Jean Knepp), Loogootee, a dau. Viola Sue, Mar. 24 Graber, Ben L. (Lillie Catherine Graber), Odon, a son Brian, Feb. 29 Knepp, Wilmer (Anna Mae Knepp), Montgomery, a son Joseph Wayne, Mar. 1

Knepp, Abraham Jr. (Rosa Mae Wagler), Loogootee, a dau. Viola, Mar. 3

Wagler, David B. (Ruth Ann Yoder), Odon, a dau., Mary Ruth, Mar. 4
Wagler, Ivan (Lillie Mae Wagler), Montgomery, a dau. Joyce Ann,
March 14

Wittmer, Jesse (Dorothy Graber), Montgomery, a son Daniel Ray, Mar. 11

## Lovington, Illinois

Gingerich, Marlin (Tillie Miller), a son Eldon Ray, Mar. 18

Herschberger, Andy Ray (Ruth Miller), a son **David Ray**, Mar. 21 Herschberger, Elden (Mary Miller), a son **Kevin Jay**, Feb. 28 Herschberger, Kenneth (Fern Plank), a son **John Dale**, Mar. 15 Miller, Alva (Verba Herschberger), a dau. **Darlene Kay**, Mar. 1 Miller, Eli (Fannie Otto), a dau. Mar. 26

Miller, Kenneth (Dorothy), a son Kevin Eugene, Mar. 21

Miller, Raymond (Ruth Kemp), a dau. Miriam Marie, Mar. 25

Plank, Ivan (Clara Mae Kauffman), a sonJerry, Mar. 3

Schrock, Richard (Verba Jess), a son **Timothy Allen**, Mar. 22, died Mar. 23 (see obituary)

Stutzman, Eli (Fannie Otto), a dau. Sadie Fern, Mar. 26

# Lobelville [Perry County] Tennessee

Beachy, Simon S. (Ada Mast) a son Nathan, March 9

#### Webster County, Missouri

Schwartz, Petie N. (Ida Keipfer), a son Rufus, Mar. 8 Schwartz, Petie W. (Miriam Zook), a dau. Mattie, Mar. 7

### Jamesport, Missouri

Yoder, Ivan H. (Fannie A. Troyer), a son Reuben, Mar. 2 Yutzy, Jonas W. (Emma M. Graber), a son Paul, Feb. 3

#### Pike County, Missouri

Eicher, Sam (Mary Troyer), Bowling Green, a son Melvin, Mar. 12 Wagler, Jacob (Lizzie Troyer), Bowling Green, a son Amzie, Mar. 28 Wager, Jesse (Sarah Schrock), Bowling Green, Moses, Mar. 4 Wagler, Raymond (Malinda Kemp), Bowling Green, a son Simon, Mar.

#### LaPlata, Missouri

Kauffman, Neal L. (Wilma J. Bontrager), LaPlata #4, a son Raymond, Mar. 26

# Jamesport, Missouri

Fash, Melvin C. (Laura M. Hostetler), Jamesport #2, a dau. Leora,

Kramer, Leon J. (Elmina A. Gingerich), Jamesport #2, a son Chester, Mar. 2

Swartz, David S. (Barbara L. Miller), Jamesport #2, a son Rudy, Mar. 23

Troyer, Marvin A. (Esther D. Kauffman), Jamesport #2, a son Leon, Mar. 13

#### Audrain County, Missouri

Bontrager, Eli L. (Sarah S. Burkholder), Clark, a son Amos, Mar. 13 Bontrager, John E. (Barbara V. Shetler), Clark, a dau. Ella, Mar. 9 Bontrager, Noah B. (Lena U. Gingerich), Clark, a son Dannie, Mar. 23 Gingerich, Ammon S. (Ada V. Shetler), Clark, a dau. Esther, Mar. 16 Petersheim, Levi E. (Mary Gingerich), Clark, a dau. Martha. Feb. 3 Shetler, Levi S. (Anna Bontrager), Clark, a son Eli, Feb. 15

#### Beebe, Arkansas

Graber, Lester F. (Rebecca D. Borntrager), a son Joseph, Feb. 5

#### Bloomfield, Iowa

Yoder, Ezra A. (Ella Gingerich), a dau. Miriam, Mar. 7

#### Buchanan County, Iowa

Bontrager, Dan B. (Lizzie Mullet), Fairbank, a son, Mar. 9 Miller, Tobie (Emma Gingerich), Fairbank, a son Ora, Mar. 17 Shetler, Levi (Elizabeth Helmuth), Hazleton, a son Andy, Feb. 5 Yoder, Abe D. (Edna Kauffman), Independence, a dau. Linda, Feb. 29 Yoder, Andy (Amelia Kauffman), Hazleton, a dau. Malinda, Mar. 8 Yoder, Chester (Katie Kurtz), Hazleton, a dau. Rosanna, Mar. 23

#### Johnson County, Iowa

Miller, Marlyn (Edith Miller), a son LaMar Eugene, Mar. 1

#### Canton, Minnesota

Slabaugh, Joe A. (Lydia G. Hershberger), Canton, a dau. Katie, Mar. 16

#### Amherst, Wisconsin

Bontreger, Toby (Lena A. Lambright), Amherst #2, a son Joe, Feb. 25 Schrock, Dannie S. (Susie E. Mast), Amherst #2, a dau. Miriam, Mar. 18

#### Bronson, Michigan

Schwartz, Samuel P. (Rosie Eash), a dau. Rosemary, Mar. 20

#### Chesley, Ontario

Yoder, Ezra D. (Malinda Miller), a dau. Elizabeth, Jan. 28

#### Norwich, Ontario

Miller, Gideon L. (Ella Shetler), a son Mahlon, Feb. 7 Miller, Dan J. L. (Barbara Miller), a dau. Mattie, Feb. 9

#### Lakeside, Ontario

Yoder, Elmer Jr. (Anna Mary Detweiler), S. Marys #3, a son Wayne Allen, Feb. 13

#### Will our reporter inform us where this is from !!

Yoder, Levi J. (Lydia Gingerich), a son Ben, Feb. 29 Yoder, Roman D. (Lydia Swartzentruber), a son Samuel, Mar. 23

# **BAPTISMS**

#### Juniata County, Pennsylvania

March 16, by Bishop Tobe Petersheim John, son of Alvin D. and Lydia (Peachy) Wengerd Daniel, son of Abe and Drusilla (Hoschstetler) Weaver Elsie, dau of Jacob and Mary (Wengerd) Lapp Susie, dau of Eli and Sara (Troyer) Troyer Barbara, dau of David and Fannie (Peachey) Swarey

# Dover, Delaware

Middle North District
March 9, by Bishop Andy H. Mast

Wm. Ray, son of Henry D. and Mary Ann Byler

West District

March 16, by Bishop John J. Yoder

Lizzie Ann, dau of Adam E. and Lizzie Miller

#### Allen County, Indiana

Jacob, son of Jacob and Kathryn (Graber) Brandenberger Andrew, son of Andrew and Susan(Schmucker) Eicher Emanuel, son of Daniel and Elizabeth (Graber) Graber Aden, son of Joseph and Betty Jean (Eicher) Schwartz Delila, dau of Enos and Loraine (Eicher) Schmucker Effie Mae, dau of David and Margaret (Brandenberger) Wickey Frances, dau of Reuben and Effie Mae (Brandenberger) Wickey Wilma, dau of John and Viola (Eicher) Schmucker

#### Adams County, Indiana

Jade K. Hilty District
March 2
Aden K., son of Andy J. Shetlers
Jonas E. son of Elmer A. Hiltys
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Roy D, son of Ernest D. Schwartzs
Mahlon K, son of Andy J.
Wilma, dau of Samuel L. Hiltys
Melinda S, dau of Melvin H. Schwartzs
Nancy, dau of Samuel L. Hiltys
Loretta C., dau of Christ K. Hiltys
Miriam, dau of Amos H. Schwartzs
Esther V., dau of Felty J. Shetler
Irene B., dau of Ernest B. Schwartzs
Anna E., dau of Elmer A. Hiltys

John C. Schwartz District

March 30
Noah A.J., son of Amos N. Eichers
Anna J., dau of John E. Schwartzs
Martha J.M., dau of Joseph E. Schwartzs
Bertha Z., dau of Jonas E. Schwartzs
Anna D., dau of David R. Grabers
Mary E., dau of Eli Zooks
Katie J.R., dau of John P. Schwartzs
Anna J.M., dau of Joseph E. Schwartzs

# Adams County, Indiana

Joseph J. Eicher Jr. District March 9

Paul M. Jr., son of Paul V. Eichers Marie M., dau of Paul V. Eichers Lovina A., dau of Chris J. Neuenschwanders Mary M., dau of John H. Eichers

## Nappanee, Indiana

March 2, by Bishop Levi Plank
Inez, dau of Oscar and Barbara (Yoder) Helmuth
Laura, dau of Delmer and Lizzie Mae (Miller) Mullet
March 9, by Bishop Levi Plank
John, son of Earl and Mary (Miller) Schmucker

John, son of Earl and Mary (Miller) Schmucker Harry, son of Earl and Laura (Borkholder) Miller Earl, son of Earl and Laura (Borkholder) Miller Richard, son of Jonas and Mary (Miller) Hochstetler

#### Kokomo, Indiana

South District

Norman, son of Daniel M. Miller.

Leslie, son of Alvin L. Millers. Both of Kalona, Iowa. March 16th, by Bishop Joe Yoder, Shipshewana

North District

Joni, son of Pre. Andrew E. and Clara (Herschberger) Yoder. Joseph Leon, son of Eli L. and Edna (Hostetler) Miller. Esther, daughter of Tobias and Mary Miller. March 23, by Bishop Amos Otto, Sullivan, Illinios.

#### Bronson, Michigan

Northwest District

February 24, by Bishop Tobias Detweiler Phillip, son of Jake Grabers of Holmes County, Ohio Rosie, dau of Allen H. Yoders,

March 30, by Wallace Hershberger Joas, son of Menno Bontragers Levi E., son of Ivan Schmuckers

# Allen County, Indiana

March 2, by Bishop Sam J. Graber Jesse, son of Alvin and Fannie Marie (Graber) Lengacher Louis, son of Pete and Annette (Schwartz) Schmucker

#### Conneautville, Pennsylvania

by Menno E. Fisher Alvin, son of Joe and Anna Troyer Mary, dau. of Joe and Anna Troyer

# Webster County, Seymour, Missouri

March 9, by Bishop Jacob P. Schwartz Joseph J.K., son of Joe M. Schwartz Emanuel N.S., son of Peter M. Schwartz Jacob J. F., son of Jacob G. Schwartz Jacob W., son of Peter P. Schwartz Johnny M., son of Menno S. Eicher Jacob P. L., son of Petie G. Schwartz Sammy C.P., son of Chris G. Schwartz Neal E.A., son of Aaron P. Schwartz Emanuel J.K., son of Joe M. Schwartz Petie C., son of Joe P. Schwartz Mary P., dau of Chris G. Schwartz Sarah J., dau of Joe P. Schwartz Elizabeth M., dau of Jacob P. Schwartz Katie D., dau of Dave H. Schwartz Sarah M., dau of Menno S. Eicher Annie J., dau of Jacob G. Schwartz

## Johnson County, Iowa

March 23, by Bishop Henry B. Miller Myron, son of Wallace Bontragers Emanuel, son of John Henry Millers

# **MARRIAGES**

## Conewango Valley, New York

Miller, Miller - Andy, son of Dan E. N. and Malinda Miller to Mary, dau. of Abner P. and Emma Miller, March 13, by Emanuel N. Shetler.

Miller, Raber - John, son of Abner P. and Emma Miller to Susan, daughter of Noah C. and Mary Raber, Mar. 18, by Emanuel N. Shetler.

Miller, Miller - Levi, son of Dan E. and Mary (Wengerd) Miller to Mary, daughter of Dan E. N. and Malinda (Miller) Miller, March 27, by Menno E. Miller.

#### Dover, Delaware

Miller, Miller - Jonas A., son of Abner J. Miller, Hartley R1, to Mary H., daughter of Harry A. Miller, Wyoming R1, by Bishop Leroy J. Yoder, March 27

Mt. Pleasant Mills, Pennsylvania

Wengerd, Troyer - David, son of Jonas Wengerd, Norfolk, New York, to Lovina, daughter of Sam M. Troyer, Mt. Pleasant Mills, Pennsylvania, by Ervin Yoder, Centerville, Michigan, March 20

## Somerset County, Pennsylvania

Summy, Beachy - Bennie, son of Eli and Fannie (Lee) Summy and Sadie, daughter of Pre. David N. and Effie (Yoder) Beachy, by Bishop Albert E. Brenneman, March 27

#### Southern Mercer County, Pennsylvania

Byler, Byler - Jonathon Jr., formerly of Mayville, New York, son of Jonathon C. and Lizzie M. (Hochstetler) Byler, to Mary, daughter of Abe N. and Sarah (Leslein) Byler, by Gideon J. Byler, on March 21.

Byler, Byler - Jacob, son of Joe H. and Annie (Leslein) Byler, to Amanda, daughter of Mose S. and Lydia A. (Hostetler) Byler, by Jacob M. Hostetler, on March 27

#### Ashland County, Ohio

Troyer, Coblentz - Lester, son of Menno and Esther (Shrock) Troyer, to Mary, daughter of Henry and Martha (Yoder) Coblentz. by Bishop Simon Brenneman, March 27.

Wengerd, Miller - David, son of Atlee and Mary Wengerd, to Sarah, daughter of Ferdinand and Saloma (Troyer) Miller, by Bishop Joe A. Byler of Sugar Grove, Pennsylvania, March 13.

#### Adams County, Indiana

Wengerd, Eicher - Noah N., son of Bishen David N. Wengerd, R1 Geneva, to Ruby F., daughter of Leroy A. Eicher, R2 Berne, February 24.

Eastern Holmes County, Ohio

Mast, Miller - Roman J., son of Jacob M. and Emma (Yoder) Mast to Susan, daughter of Dan J. D. and Mary (Yoder) Miller, March 27, 1980, by John L. Yoder.

Steuben County, Indiana

Schwartz, Schwartz - Benny S., son of Sam M. Schwartzs, Fremont, Indiana to Rosie N., daughter of Enos E. Schwartzs, Hamilton, Indiana, March 18, 1980, by Sam M. Schwartz.

LaGrange, Indiana

Chupp, Weaver - Steve, son of Harvey Chupps, Minnesota to Vera, daughter of David and Martha (Schrock) Weaver.

March 13

Graber, Lambright - Harry, son of Melvin and Ada (Hochstedler) Graber to Cindy Jo, daughter of Fleyd Lambrights, March 25.

Schrock, Bontrager - Widower Harley, son of Alvin and Polly (Bontrager) Schrock to Edna Fern, daughter of Ora W. and Barbara (Mast) Bontrager.

Miller, Eash - Ernie, son of Marvin and Edna (Miller) Miller to Lizzie Mae, daughter of Ervin and Mary Etta (Hostetler) Eash, March 27

March 27.

Miller, Lehman - Henry, son of Leonard and Ruby (Slabaugh) Miller to Edna Arlene, daughter of Elva and Ida Mae (Miller) Lehman, March 26.

Nisley, Miller - Vernon, son of Bishop John C. and Barbara (Miller) Nisley to Sarah, daughter of Harvey and Susie (Miller) Miller.

Nappanee, Indiana

Miller, Gingerich - Lonnie, son of Joe and Anna (Mullet) Miller to Cora Sue, daughter of Alvin and Barbara (Plank) Gingerich. March 20, by Bishop Levi Plank.

Daviess County, Indiana

Graber, Graber - Omer, son of Eli and Mary (Graber) Graber to Dinah, daughter of Amos and Mary (Raber) Graber. March 20, by Levi Graber.

Wagler, Kemp - David, son of Ben E. and Mary (Graber) Wagler to Pauline, daughter of Amos and Naomi (Wittmer) Kemp. March

30, by Ben E. Wagler.

Stoll, Knepp - Laverne, son of Paul and Marie (Lengacher) Stoll to Rosemary, daughter of Melvin and Wilma (Graber) Knepp. March 30, by Paul Stoll.

Huntingdon, Tennessee

Borntreger, Troyer - Aaron A., son of Abe Y. and Martha Borntreger, Anabel, Missouri, to Katherine, daughter of Andy and Mary (Gingerich) Troyer, Huntingdon, Tennessee. March 6, 1980, by Neal Borntreger, Anabel Missouri.

Lovington, Illinois

Jess, Schrock - Willard, son of Ervin and Sovilla (Kaufman) Jess to Mary, daughter of Fred and Edna (Chupp) Schrock.

Hershberger, Beachy - Jerry Ray, son of Dave and Esther Hershberger, Kokomo to Mattie Marie, daughter of Lloyd Lee and Anna (Otto) Beachy. March 6.

Miller, Miller - Ernest, son of Henry and Mattie (Bontreger) Miller to Barbara Ann, daughter of Andy J. and Anna (Brennaman) Miller. March 20.

Schlabach, Deiner - Lavern, son of Willard and Esther (Lee) Schlabach to Dorothy, daughter of Ben and Ella (Herschberger) Deiner. March 27.

Audrain County, Missouri

Borntrager, Bontrager - Eli, son of Mose E. and Amanda Borntrager to Emma, daughter of Elmer and Ida Bontrager. February 21, by the grooms grandfather, Bishop Eli J. Borntrager, Fairbank, Iowa.

Anabel, Missouri

Borntreger, Troyer - Aaron A., son of Abraham Y. and Martha Borntreger to Katherine, daughter of Andy R. and Mary (Gingerich) Troyer, Huntingdon, Tennessee. March 6, 1980, by Bishop Neal Borntrager.

Pike County, Missouri

Schrock, Bontrager - Johnnie M., son of Moses J. Schrock, Bowling Green, Missouri to Mary, daughter of Ura Bontragers, Bowling Green, Missouri. March 25, by Ura Yoder.

Bornteger, Beachy - Eli A., son of Abie D. Borntregers, Anabel, Missouri to Anna D., daughter of Daniel S. Beachy, Clark, Missouri. March 20, by Neal M. Bontrager, Anabel, Missouri.

Gingerich, Petersheim - Jonas E., son of Eli and Lena Gingerich, LaPlata, Missouri to Sarah, daughter of Bishop Jake L. and Katie Petersheim, Clark, Missouri. March 25, by Bishop Jonas S. Bontrager, Clark, Missouri.

Bloomfield, Iowa

Yutzy, Wagler - Lester, son of Davie and Ella (Bontrager) Yutzy to Rachel, daughter of David and Ida Mae Wagler. March 6, by Bishop Melvin H. Miller of Middlebury, Indiana.

#### Hazeltown, Iowa

Yoder, Yoder - Andy, son of Dan and Iva Yoder to Anna,

daughter of Wayne and Amanda Yoder. March 20, by Bishop Eli Raber.

Canton, Minnesota

Stutzman, Hershberger - Reuben C., son of Chriss H. Stutzmans, Harmony, Minnesota to Lydia D., daughter of Dan C. Hershbergers. March 27, by Eli J. Hershberger, Dalton, Ohio.

Norwich, Ontario, Canada

Miller, Miller - Andrew J., son of Jacob L. and Katie (Yoder) Miller, Otterville to Anna, daughter of Dan E. and Lizzie (Troyer) Miller. March 20, by Bishop Eli Swartzentruber.

Shetler, Miller - Joe J., son of John J. and Martha (Stutzman) Shetler, Lucknow to Rebecca, daughter of Jacob L. and Katie (Yoder) Miller, Otterville. By Bishop Dan D. Stutzman Jr.

Jamesport, Missouri

Chester S. Hostetler, 23 #2 Jamesport, Missouri 64648, son of Bishop Simon L. Hostetlers, #2 Jamesport, Missouri. He is married to Irene, daughter of Bishop Ferman J. Troyers, #2 Jamesport, Missouri. He was ordained a Deacon, also in the lot were: Levi Jr. Miller, Fred W. Yutzy, Elvon C. Schrock, Delbert hy, Norman M. Yoder, William H. Yoder.

# **OBITUARIES**

Barkman, Lizzie Ann, 85, #1 Sugarcreek, Ohio

died March 6, 1980 following a lengthy illness. She was blind for

quite sometime.

Surviving are 2 daughters; Mrs. Eli M. (Susie) Mast, Fresno #3; Mrs. Sam M. (Esther) Miller, Millersburg #2; 3 sons, Jacob J. of the home; Eli J. #1 Baltic; Sam J. Lakeville; 2 sisters, Mrs. Andy (Mattie) Burkholder #5 Millersburg and her twin, Mrs. Sam A. (Susan) Yoder #2 Sugarcreek; 38 grandchildren; 39 great grandchildren. 1 daughter, 11 sisters and 3 brothers are deceased.

Funeral services were held March 9 at the home, by Bish. Eli E. Hershberger. Burial in Yoder Cemetery, Clark Township. She was

85 years, 10 months and 11 days old.

Byler, Joseph S. Sr., 78, New Wilmington #1, Pa.

died March 16 of a heart attack. He was born Feb. 12, 1902.

Surviving are 3 sons and 5 daughters; Stephen, married to Bena J. Byler; Andy, married to Anna E. Yoder; Eli, married to Ada Jr. Byler; Emma, married to John J. Byler; Maryann to John E. Yoder; Lizzie, married to Jacob S. Yoder; Sally, married to Dan U. Byler, all of New Wilmington, Pa.; Fannie, married to Jacob D. Mast Lewisburg, Pa.;49 grandchildren and 67 great grandchildren survive; 4 brothers, John, Dan, Andy and Eli; 1 sister Clara, married to Pete Miller, all of Middlefield, Ohio; many nephews, nieces, cousins and friends survive.

Funeral services were held on: March 18 at the home of his daughter, John E. Yoder, by John L. Swartzentruber and at a neighbor, Henry E. Byler by Jacob E. Byler.

He was 78 years 1 month and 4 days old

Eicher, Ben E., 66, #2 Dundee, Ohio died March 30 after a long illness.

He was married to Mary Schwartz and was the son of Jacob and Elizabeth Schwartz.

Surviving besides his wife, the former Dena Miller are 7 daughters and 9 sons; Mrs. Samuel (Mary Jane) Hilty of Berne; Mrs. Menno (Barbara) Schwartz; Ben Jr. and Elmer of Geneva; and Clarence, Monroe; Mrs. Edward (Rachel) Hershberger, Trial; Jake, Butler; John and Solomon, Dundee; Levi, Massillon; and Nancy, Ruth, Anna Mae, Phillip and Norman all at home; 2 sisters and 1 brother; Mrs. Salome Graber, Goshen; Mrs. Albert Coblentz Geneve; and Sim of Graybill; 75 grandchildren; 9 great-grand-

children; 1 daughter, 4 sisters and 5 brothers are deceased. Funeral services will be held Wed. at 9 a.m. in the Eicher home by Bishop Abe A Schlabach officiating. Burial in the Miller

Cemetery in Wayne Township.

His age was 66 years.

Fisher, Emma K., 17, #2 Paradise, Penna.

died March 16, in a buggy and car accident. She was a daughter

of Ben S. and Susie King. (see community notes).

Surviving are her parents and the following brothers and sisters: Savilla K., at home: David M. #2 Paradise: Daniel M., #2 Paradise: Levi K., Ben and Rebecca all at home. Also surviving are her paternal grandparents: Ben T. and Emma Fisher, #1 Gordonville and maternal grandparents: Moses and Savilla King. #1 Ronks.

Gingerich, Emory, 69, Arcola, Illinois

died March 10, in Jarman Hospital, Tuscola, Ill. He was born in Arthur, Ill. He was a son of Christian and Anna (Brenneman)

Surviving is his wife Lydiann Schrock and the following children; John E., Arcola, Ill.; Lester E., Middlebury, Ind.; Amanda, (Mrs Albert Nissley), Middlebury, Ind.; and 4 brothers, Simon, Kokomo, Ind.; Abe C., Arthur, Ill.; John A., Arcola, Ill.; Eli C., Tuscola, Ill. and 3 sisters; Sarah (Mrs Menno Chupp), Arthur, Ill.; Alpha (Mrs Monroe Miller), Amboy, Ind. Fifteen grandchildren and four greatgrandchildren also survive.

Funeral services were held on March 13. Burial in Miller

Cemetery.

Graber, Henry, 60, #1 New Haven, Ind.

died on March 4, from Leukemia. His wife Margaret, survives. Also surviving are 3 sons, Joseph, #1 New Haven, Ind.; Rueben, #3 Grabill, Ind. and Martin, #1 Grabill, Ind. and 3 daughters, Ruth Ann Delagrange, #1 New Haven; Esther Burkholder, Spencer, Wisconsin and Mary Graber, #1 Pleasant Lake, a stepson, Jonas, Smucker, #1 New Haven: 2 brothers, Levi, Quincy, Mich. and

Amos, #2 Grabill and a sister Mary Schmucker of #1 Spencerville. Funeral services were held by Preacher Noah Graber at home and at neighbor's house by Preacher Andy Graber of South Whitley. Burial in Amish Cemetery at Grabill.

Grabill, Mrs. Louise, Camden, Mich.

More details may come later.

Hershberger, Sarah A., infant, #1 Baltic, Ohio

died March 12, daughter of Alvin and Lizzie Miller.

Surviving besides here parents are 2 sisters, Susie and Esther, at home; grandparents, Mrs. V. A. Hershberger amd Mr. and Mrs. Dan J. W. Miller, all of #3 Millersburg, Ohio.

Funeral services were held on Thursday, March 13. Burial in Yoder Cemetery at Farmerstown with Bishop Mose E. Hershberger officiating.

Keim, Bertha, 72, Canton, Ohio

She died of a heart attack. She was married to Henry Keim.

Lapp, Joseph S., 61, #1 Quarryville, Penna.

died March 20. He was a son of Joseph and Hannah Lapp and

was married to Annie (King) Lapp.

Also surviving are 5 children; Rachel K., wife of Amos E. Beiler, #1 Kirkwood, Pa.; Daniel K., at home; Isaac K., #1 Holtwood; Hannah K., wife of Moses K. Renno, #2 Mifflintown and Jonas K., #1 Quarryville and three sisters, Annie L, wife of Kore Stoltzfus; Lydia L., wife of Christ P. Beiler, #1 Ronks and Fannie, wife of Ben Petersheim, #4 Lancaster.

Funeral services were held at home by Isaac H. Zook. Burial at Bunker Hill Cemetery. Pallbearers were David L. Beiler, Christ

L. Petersheim, John Z. King and Isaac S. King.

Miller, Dena

They lived in Abe A. Schlabach District. More details may come

Surviving are 7 daughters and 9 sons.

Miller, Ella, 55, Millersburg, Ohio

died Wednesday, March 12, after a few months'illness of cancer. Born in Sugarcreek, Ohio in 1924, she was a daughter of Eli N. and Barbara (Mullet) Schrock. She was married to Henry E. Miller on December 30, 1947. She was a resident in the Millersburg area the last 12 years.

Surviving besides her husband are 2 daughters, Mrs. John (Barbara) Bontrager, Winesburg; Lovina, Goshen, Ind.; 2 sons, Marvin, #1 Wilmot and Wayne of #1 Apple Creek. Four grandchildren, four sisters, Mrs. Roman (Sue) Kandel, Star Route, Millersburg; Mrs. Jonathan (Clara) Yoder, Sarasota, Fla.; Mrs. Dan W. (Anna) Yoder, #2 Dundee; Melva Schrock, Berlin; 4 brothers, Albert Schrock of Dundee; Emanuel Schrock, #2 Sugarcreek, Ohio; John Schrock, Berlin and Melvin Schrock, #2 Danville.

Funeral services were held at Henry L. Weaver's residence. Saturday, March 15, with Bishop Mahlon Hochstetler officiating. Burial in Miller Cemetery in Walnut Creek Township.

Miller, Lizzie, 77, Kalona, Iowa

died March 19, born January 15, 1903, daughter of Daniel and

Lydia (Kemp) Lehman, Indiana. She was married to Noah J. Miller in 1924, he died in 1961. She grew up in Indiana and after her marriage in 1924 she moved to Kalona, Iowa where she lived the rest of her life. She was a faithful member of the Old Order Amish Church.

Survivors are two daughters, Susie and Katie, at home and 5 sons, Bishop Truman, Kalona, Ia.; Levi, New Mexico; Eddie, Freeman and Ezra, all of Kalona, Iowa. Also surviving are 17 grandchildren, 14 greatgrandchildren, 1 sister, Mrs. Ezra

Bontrager, Middlebury, Indiana.

Ministers in charge of the funeral were Elmer T. Miller and William H. Miller, Middlebury, Indiana. Pallbearers were Marvin Bontrager, Edwin Ray Miller, Henry M. Miller, Raymond Brenneman, Emil Gingerich and Herman Gingerich. Burial in East Union Cemetery.

Miller, Mandy P., 101, Barkman, Ohio

died March 25, from pneumonia, born in Barkman, Ohio.

Surviving are 5 sons and 3 daughters, Crist E.; John E., Auburn, Ind.; Simon, Minerva, Ohio; Eli E., Cambridge Springs, Pa.; Joe E., Hadley, Pa.; Amanda, Middlefield, Ohio; Martha, Stoneboro, Pa. and Barbara, Dewittville, N. Y.; 25 grandchildren; 58 greatgrandchildren and 30 great-great-grandchildren; 1 sister, Sara Troyer, Dalton, Ohio. Her husband died 46 years ago. 2 sons and 2 daughters preceded her in death.

Funeral services were held on March 26, at the home of Crist E. Miller. Burial in the new cemetery on the farm of Bishop Lester A.

Miller, Sarah, 80, Fredericksburg, Ohio

died March 20, after a long illness, born in Holmes County, Ohio in 1899, a daughter of Emanuel J. and Barbara (Keim) Miller. She married to John W. Miller in 1926.

Surviving besides her husband are 4 sons, Dan J. W., #3 Millersburg, Ohio, Roman J., Smithville; Abe J., #2 Apple Creek; John J. W. of the home; 3 daughters, Mrs. Roman N. (Barbara) Miller, #5 Millersburg, Ohio; Mrs. Ben B. (Susie) Wengerd, Mount Gilead and Mrs. Albert S.

Funeral services were held on Sunday at 9 a. m. at her residence with Bishop Henry Miller officiating. Burial was at the

Miller Hershberger Cemetery.

Raber, Joe S., 72, #2 Sugarcreek, Ohio

died March 18, after a long illness, born in Coshocton County he was a son of Samuel and Elmina Raber. His wife Elizabeth survives, they were married 49 years.

Also surviving are 7 sons and 5 daughters, John Henry; Mrs. Albert E. (Mary Ella) Schrock and Mrs. John (Gertrude) Hall, #2 Sugarcreek, Ohio; Elmer, #1 Dundee; Jonas, Dundee, Ohio; Robert, Baltic, Joe Jr. and Daniel Ray, Denver, Colorado; Noah, Dover, Dela.; Mrs. Allen (Edna Mae) Beiler, Dover, Del.; Miss Clara Raber, #2 New Philadelphia, and Mrs. Aden (Elizabeth) Yoder, Star Route, Millersburg, a brother and a sister, John, Valley City, Ohio and Mrs. Sam (Lizzie) Beachy, #1 Baltic; 38 grandchildren, 8 great-grandchildren, 3 sisters, 2 brothers and 2 great-grandsons are deceased.

Funeral services were held on Saturday at 9 a. m. in the Schlabach home in #2 Sugarcreek with Bishop Abe Schlabach Jr. officiating. Burial was in Christ Miller Cemetery in Walnut Crack

Towhship.

Raber, Lizzie V., 13, #1 Baltic, Ohio

died March 13, after a lengthy illness, born in Holmes County, Ohio she was a daughter of Valentine and Amanda (Speicher)

Surviving are her husband, Valentine N. Raber and 5 daughters; Mrs. Dan S. (Emma) Byler; Mrs. Andy E. (Amanda) Mast, New Wilmington, Pa.; Mrs. Jacob J. (Mattie) Yoder; Mrs. Alvin S. (Malinda) Miller, #4 Millersburg; Mrs. John Jr. (Lizzie Ann) Raber, #3 Millersburg and 5 sons, Albert, #2 Millersburg; Noah #1 Coshocton; John, Wilmot; Levi, #3 Millersburg and Henry at home, 1 sister, Mrs. Abe J. (Emma) Mast, Baltic, 1 brother, John V. Erb, Charm, Ohio, 47 grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at the residence with Bishop Henry Stutzman officiating. Burial was in Raber Cemetery in Mechanic

Township.

Schlabach, Edward W., 23, Star Route, Millersburg, Ohio died after having a car accident, he was a son of Albert B. and Ada Schlabach. (see community notes).

Surviving are three brothers and two sisters, Dwight, Harry, Mark, Rita and Linda, all at home.

Funeral services were held on Tuesday at 9 a.m. in the family residence with Bishop Lester Schlabach officiating. Burial was in the Hershberger Cemetery in Salt Creek Township in Holmes

Schlabach, Ella, 59, #1 Holmesville, Ohio

died on Saturday, after an illness of 1 year. She was born in Holmes County, Ohio, a daughter of John E. and Fannie Miller and

was married to Olen J. Schlabach.

Surviving besides her parents are 2 daughters, Mrs. Abe E. (Esther) Miller, Star Route, Millersburg and Mrs. David D. (Edna) Miller, #1 Holmesville, 3 sons, Lester, #2 Dundee, Dan and Olen Jr., both at home, 6 grandchildren and 3 sisters, Mary Ann Miller, Winesbury; Mrs. Walter (Katie Ann) Kandel, #1 Dundee and Mrs. Eli M. (Sarah) Troyer, Mifflintown, Pa. She was preceded in death by 1 sister.

Funeral services were held on Wednesday at 9 a.m. in the residence with Jacob M. Mast officiating. Burial in Hershberger Cemetery, Prairie Township, Holmes County. Services by David

E. Hershberger and David J. C. Yoder.

Schlabach, Sarah J., 91, Smicksburg, Pa.

died March 17, born July 23, 1888, first married to Valentine E. Hochstetler, who died on April 11, 1936. She married the second time to Ervin Schlabach of Middlefield, Ohio, November 15, 1938 He died April 12, 1954. (see community notes).

She leaves 1 adopted son, Moses B. Hochstetler, Spartansburg,

Pa. Several step children also survive.

Funeral services were held on March 19, at Smicksburg, and March 20 at the home of her niece, Mrs. Jonathan J. Byler, #3 Volant. Burial beside her husband in Amish Cemetery, New Wilmington, Pa.

Schmucker, Susanna, 87, Middlefield, Ohio

died Saturday with a heart attack. Her husband, Joe C. Schmucker, preceded her in death, he died in 1952.

Surviving are 3 sons and 5 daughters, 49 grandchildren and 102 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at 1 p. m. at the residence of Joseph Hershberger. Burial was at Troy Amish.

Stutzman, Harvey E., 41, Mount Eaten, Ohio

died March 21, after an illness of cancer at the stomach.

Surviving are 6 sons and 1 daughter.

Preaching was done at Joe E. Zooks by Menno J. Zook and Bishop Eli A. Miller and at Harveys by Bishop Emanuel L. Shetler and Abe D. Yoder.

Swarey, Ella Mae, 11 months, Belleville, Pa.

died Monday, March 17, at Hershey Medical Center after open heart surgery. Born in Belleville, on April 6, 1979, she was a daughter of Jacob S. and Ella (Byler) Swarey. She was a mongoloid and was born with a hole in her heart, which caused too much blood to enter her lungs.

Surviving besides her parents are Henry J. Lewistown, Pa., Mrs. Louise (Sarah) Peight, Mary, Samuel, Ada, Linda, Benuel,

Jacob and Reuben, all at home.

Funeral services were held on Thursday, March 20, by Alvin Beachy and Robert N. Troyer, both of Ohio. Ezra Kanagy read a hymn. Grandparents are Crist E. Byler, Middlefield, Ohio and Mrs. Mary L. Swarey.

Yoder, Harman C., Kansas

died in Florida. More details may come later.

Yoder, Mrs. John B., Plain City, Ohio died March 17, born in Sarasota, Florida.

Yoder, Wayne Leon, 19, #2 Haven, Kansas

died March 23, after having a motorcycle accident. Born November 22, 1960, he was a son of Enos C. and Clara (Plank) continued on page 23

Der Gnabenruf Gottes

Thr jungen Leute, merket auf, Hört, was ich fagen will; Ach fehr' doch um vom Sündenlauf, Wer felig werden will.

Behenkt, ihr laufet immer hin, Dem Tod und Grabe zu; Die Luft, die ihr jest hegt im Sinn, Ist fort in einem Nu.

Thr jungen Herzen, wollt ihr nicht Euch kehren zu dem Herrn; Wollt ihr denn lieber ins Gericht, Von Gott fein ewig fern?

Ach benkt doch an die Ewigkeit, Sie höret nimmer auf. Das Leiden währet allezeit Mit dem verfluckten Hauf'.

D bente ftets an beinen Tob! Du bift noch wohl, gefund und roth; Doch vielen, die gefund wie du, Schloß schnell der Tod die Augen zu.

Noch ift es Zeit; befinne doch; Noch ruft und lock Er dich zu fich; Doch wiffe: wenn du Thm nicht hörft, Daß du dir Angst und Kummer mehrst.

Präg in dein Herz des Todes Bild, Der allen deinen Jammer stillt, Der dich zum Throne Gottes hebt, Wenn du dem Heiland hier gelebt.

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#### **CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS**

Conewango Valley, New York - Mrs. Mose Stutzman

March started in very cold with 13 to 20 degrees below zero a few mornings, but clear and sunny. We also had quite a bit of rain and snow through out the month and some very warm and springlike days. People are plowing and a lot of people are sugaring with a few real good runs.

Seneca Falls, New York - Mrs. Noah S. Byler

The first 2 days in March temperature was around zero going down to 4 below zero both days. March 4th the temperature went up to 38 degrees and it was real nice. March 5th we had rain and snow mixed then it turned colder and was nice again a couple days. We had a nice blanket of snow on the ground March 7th and 8th. March 10th it warmed up again and went up to 47 degrees. March 12th it was down to 16 again, but nice and clear after a rainy and dreep day. March 14, we had 6 inches of snow this morning, by the 17th it was warmer again and temperatures up to 46 degrees. March 19th it went up to 49 degrees and it was nice a couple of days. March 22nd misty and snowy again. The 27th is nice, temperature up to 46.

LeRaysville, Pennsylvania - Mrs. Chester S. Yoder

March has brought us all kinds of weather. The first being cold and sunny with the temperature 7 below zero in the morning. 4 below on the 2nd with temperature around zero all day these two days. Warmer on the 3rd with temperature rising up to 52 degrees on the 7th. Rainy on the 5th through the 8th. Snowing and windy on the 13th and 14th with temperature in the teens. On the 17th it started raining and turned to sleet then snow at night. Cleared off and was sunny on the 18th through the 20th with temperature in the low 50's. A heavy rain fell on the 21st turning to snow in the night and still snowing the next morning. Temperature up to 56 degrees on the 28th which was the warmest day of the month. Rain on the 29th through the morning of the 31st, when it turned to snow and were having a heavy snowfall.

Montour County, Pennsylvania - Amos K. Stoltzfus

March was quite dry at the beginning. Some peoples wells were getting weak and had water problems, then on the 13th it snowed most of the day. We had about 3 to 5 inches. On the 14th it was windy which made the snow drift some. Some people were hauling their milk out to the main road on the 15th. Then it rained on the 17th and 18th and warmed up so the snow left and creeks were high and some places it was running over the banks. The 21st we had another heavy rain which made the creeks higher yet and decreased the water problems. It was kinda wet since.

Millersburg [Dauphin County] - Mrs. Benuel B. Fisher

March came in clear and sunny but cold. The coldest of the season which was 4 degrees, March 1st with a nice breeze going. The 13th it started to snow and was snowing all day. The 14th again it was snowing, but soon quit again giving us a total of around 6 to 8 inches which was the most we had this winter. After that it warmed up and the snow didn't last long. Had rain all day 17, 21, 22, 29 and 31st so the ground is wet. Is warm, around 40 to 50 degrees the last week.

Farmers are plowing, women are cleaning house.

Lebanon County, Pennsylvania - Levi S. King

March came in about as cold as we had at anytime this past winter. Not so much plowing was done this month as sometimes as it was either frozen or too wet. Winter wheat fields look good considering how little snow we had to cover them last winter. About 4.7 inches of rain and 4 inches of snow for the month.

Purple Martins and other spring birds are here and the grass is

getting green again.

Bareville, Pennsylvania - Levi L. Stoltzfus

Rainfall for Bareville area 4.5 inches for March.

Market report: fat steers took a \$6.00 decline the last few weeks with top choice selling around \$68.50; feeder steers range from \$58. - 90. cwt.; fat hogs \$40. which also took \$10. to 12. decline to the end of the month; 40 lb. feeder pigs \$32. - 72. cwt.; veal \$100. - 140. cwt.; choice Easter lambs \$160. - 192.50 cwt.; dairy cows at New Holland \$785. - 1675.; hay \$41. - 135. ton; straw \$41. - 71. ton; corn fodder \$47. - 55. ton; corn \$70. - 86. ton; by bu. \$2.90; wheat \$4.20 bu.; barley \$2.30 bu.; oats \$1.90 bu.; large eggs .65 doz.; heavy fowl .25 - .33 lb.; pullets .45 - .49 lb.; ducks .49 - .62 lb.; rabbits .80 - .97 lb.; guineas \$1.18 lb.; pigeons \$2.80 - 3.10 pair; potatoes retail \$5.00 cwt.

Chester County, Pennsylvania - J. Elmer Lapp

March brought us more precipatation than any month this winter, approximately 11 inches of snow and 6.4 inches rain. It snowed 2 inches on the 1st, 3 inches on the 13th, then turned to rain, 6 inches on the 14th. This was our heaviest snow all winter, but most of it melted the next day. On the 22nd we had flurries, it also rained on 6 different days. On the 21st we had an all day rain of 2 inches.

A few farmers were seen plowing on the several nice days we had. The ground was pretty well froze all winter until around the 4th of this month since then it wasn't froze hard enough to carry the manure spreader outside of a few mornings very early. Low temperature was 6 degrees on the 2nd.

Numerous flocks of geese were seen flying north so spring must

be here.

Dover, Delaware - Neil N. Hershberger

March was a rather rough month with lots of wind and went out very wet. Total rainfall for the month was 7.2 inches and 4 inches snow. High temperature was 62 degrees on the 8th and low of 8 degrees on the 2nd and 3rd. Lots of wind. March came in like a lion and also went out like a lion.

Very little seeding done yet. A few early gardens started.

The farm sale of Neal A. Bylers was well attended March 22 altho a very cold raw wind that day.

St. Marys County, Maryland - Amos R. Stoltzfus

March came in cold, 10 degrees the first and snowed heavy all eve. and that night it snowed til Sunday morning about 7 or 8 inches with 10 degrees that morning and again 11 degrees the next. The 2nd week it was 60 degrees. Snow and sleet the 13th and lots of rain after that. It was possible to get some field work done between rains Some spring oats have been sowed but not really much plowing this spring yet.

Hog prices have dropped to .30 and cull cows bring as high as

\$780. baby calves over \$100.

Delta [York County] Pennsylvania - Andrew H. Beiler

March came in on a cold snowy note and by Sunday morning it was down to 10 degrees with a cold breeze blowing, about as cold a morning as we had this winter. We had more snow in March than any other time this winter. We had a mild dry winter compared to last year. On March 14th we had and all day snow, no school that day which was the only day they missed because of snow this winter, it was a wet snow which hung to trees and wires, but did not last long as the sun came out nice and warm the next few days melting most of it by Sunday eve.

Some plowing has been done last week. We had rain on Friday

and strong winds on Saturday.

Mt. Pleasant Mills, Pennsylvania - Sam M. Troyer

It was probably quite a tipical march. Had 1 below zero on the morning of the first day which was the coldest for the winter and on the 14th we got the winters deepest snow, around 6 inches and we had close to 3 inches of rain this month. The frosts been out of the ground most of the month. Started working ground in the garden on the 22nd.

McClure [Snyder County] Pennyslvania - John Y. Speicher

March came in cold the two first morning the temperature was 6 degrees below zero. Weather was very changeable, many cloudy days. Had eight inches of snow at one time, that was the most at one time that we had all winter. Also rained a lot during the month. March went out wet. Low temperature in the morning for the month 6 degrees below zero, high of 40 degrees.

Some plowing done by horse farmers, but did not see any tractors in fields yet. Low fields cannot be plowed for a while yet. Some wheat fields don't look so good due to late sowing and bare

ground most of the winter.

Milk is a good price, processing milk for 3.5 test is 10.82.

Juniata County, Pennsylvania - David Y. Renno

The weather here during March was about normal. Ground was frozen, some the whole month. We've had only one snow of 6 inches the middle of the month which didn't stay long. Our only real snowfall all winter. We've had a little above normal rainfall for the monthe which fell on frozen ground and ran off.

Farmers done a little plowing the last few days. Very few farm sales here this year. Good dairy cows and draft horses bring up to 2 thousand dollars each at sales. Machinery isn't higher then it

was for some years now.

Mifflin County, Pennsylvania - C. M. Stoltzfus

March came in cold but clear. Lowest temperature was zero the 1st and 2nd mornings. Many nice sunny days with a brisk March air. March brought us a snowy winter on the 13th and 14th., but lasted only a few days. 2 days of beautiful snow about 6 or 8 inches also some wind drifted some. Then again rain and snow on the 22nd and 23rd about 2 inches of snow. Also rained on March 8, March 22 and the last week was cloudy with showers all week also the last day of March with the exception of the 27th, it was a beautiful day.

Spring flowers are coming up, crocuses are blooming, birds are

coming back, robins, purple martins.

The last evening of the month a heavy snowfall. Larger flakes than any we had this winter. A wet snow that clung to trees, fences and shubbery.

Gettysburg [Adams County] Pennsylvania - Elizabeth A. Stoltzfus

March came in like a lion. Was about as cold or colder as anytime all winter with snow and wind and very cold temperature at 7 degrees. We had 16 days with freezing temperatures. We had rain or snow on 10 weather days. Friday, March 21, we had 3 inches of rain, creeks were high and overflowed. Also had 3 thunder

showers in March. Had a total of 4 inches of sleet and snow on the 13th and 14th. It started to rain last eve March 30 and is rainy this morn with temperature was up to 70 degrees.

Fields and yards are green and getting greener There was only 1 or 2 days that farmers could plow. Beef and hog prices are on a downward trend. Interest rates and real estate prices are on an upward trend. Daffadils and crocuses are blooming. Some women have planted hot beds or small gardens.

Meyersdale [Somerset County] Pennsylvania - Mary A. Kinsinger

It seems we've had our winter weather in March. Had our worst storm the 13th and 14th. The roads were closed enough that the public dismissed school early on the 13th and had no school on Friday. By Saturday eve the roads were mostly bare and dry again. Also had a good amount of rain and wind in March.

Movings seem to be on the go at present.

Mercer County, Pennsylvania - Dan J. Troyer

The first 3 days of March were as cold as any all winter. After this it warmed up. In daytime it was up to 40 degrees, 50 degrees and a few days up about 60 degrees. Cold nights made some good sap runs. The 13th and 14th were stormy with some snow.

Had rain the 17th, 21st, 24th, 28th and the 31st.

Not much plowing done yet. Couldn't start till the last week.

Mercer, Pennsylvania - E. H. Kurtz

March came in cold with zero on the 1st and 6 below on the 2nd. Highest temperature was 62 on the 16th and 20th. We had 10 days sunshine, 10 rainy days and 6 days of snow flurries.

Hog prices are coming down while beef is steady.

Crawford County, Pennsylvania - Mrs. Menno Fisher

March came in very cold, 22 below zero on March 2nd, till the 4th it warmed up to 40 above in the daytime. It was quite changeable throughout the month. "March is winter, March is Spring, March is some of everything." Total rainfall for the month 4.88 inches, snowtall 10.4 inches. Highest temperature 55 degrees, lowest 22 below zero.

Farmers have started to plow, the ground is wet.

Eastern Holmes County, Ohio - John L. Yoder

Our weather pattern for March had its usual March pattern. Some nice spring days along with some strong winds and cold snaps. The latter half bringing quite a bit of moisture.

Farmers are busy plowing when weather permits. Some maple syrup made with reports of a fair run, with prices about \$15. a

gallon

Still some farm sales. Hog prices were down last week, pig prices about same. Dairy and beef cattle still high.

Geauga County, Ohio - Eli E. Miller

March came in cold and clear. Was cold until the 7th it warmed up enough that some taped sugar bushes, but not much sap until the 17th. Had good sap weather the rest of the month. Warmed up and some rain last few days.

Hog prices are down in the middle 30's. Dairy cows are a little lower. Horse farmers are starting to plow. Lots of people out of

work.

Holmes County, Ohio - Mrs. John H. Yoder

The month of March has been pretty much wet. A lot of plowing was done between the rains. There were a few very nice sunshine days and looked much like spring. The temperature ranged from 2 degrees above to around 70 degrees.

A lot of flu around. Pretty good maple syrup weather, is selling

at a good price.

Western Holmes County - Monroe A. Weaver

March came in as a lion, was near zero and a high wind. Went out at a calm 50 degrees. After March 3, we only had one morning that it was in the teens. Had plenty moisture. Lawns and fields are greening up. No plowing done till the last week.

Cattle and calves are some cheaper. Fat hogs took a real plunge this last week, when the national survey showed more pigs in the country. Dropped \$5. cwt. to below \$30. cwt. This could be correct and could not be correct. The economy is slowing down as well as inflation, which could have its merits. 1980 could bring us a lot of changes.

Western Tuscarawas, Ohio - Jonas N. Borntrager

We had our coldest weather of the winter in March also more snow than we had all winter. But the ground is open and lots of plowing has been done. Lawns, grass fields and wheat fields are greening up. Some farmers are buying hay.

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Hogs are at \$32. per hundred. Heifers and milk cows in strong demand. Good draft horses are also high. Milk nearly \$12. per hundred for 3.5 test at the SugarCreek Cheese house.

Ashland County, Ohio - Ammon A. Troyer

The last part of March was rainy. A lot of maple syrup is being boiled. Farmers are plowing in between rains.

Hicksville, Ohio - David Raber

We have had nice warm weather from the first part of the month to the last part. There was a lot of rain that washed away alot of top soil as the ground was not froze. Then it seemed that the sun would shine and dry the ground in a hurry.

Allen County, Indiana - Mrs. John Schmucker

The beginning of March was pretty cold with the lowest of 3 below on the 2nd. Had a lot of dreary and rainy weather. On first day of spring was in the 50's. Robins and cardinals are here again.

LaGrange County, Indiana - Anna Eash

We have had real lovely spring weather. Few zero mornings but only few inches of snow. The snow blowers, snowmobiles etc. have had little chance of being of much use. We had some wind on the 12th and 13th and on the evening of the 16th. Some lightning and also the next morning. Since the sun has been out and has been so pleasant. Have not heard if any are tapping trees but suppose some are.

Work in some factories has picked up some but we don't know what is ahead. It does not look favorable in many ways as we perhaps all realize.

Some weddings are on the agenda and we have much to be thankful for.

Kokomo, Indiana - Mrs. Ivan J. Gingerich

The first week of February remained mild but by the second week and on through we had plenty of near zero weather with cold east winds. We had light snows but were never snow bound all winter.

The first part of March was still fairly cold but we still had some beautiful days of sunshine that reminded us of spring coming soon. The last two weeks were mostly very damp and cloudy and quite a few days of all day drizzles. Damp weather also brought lots of colds and flu with a sore throat that seemed impossible to get rid of.

Daviess County, Indiana - Elizabeth Mae Raber

March started in cold, with 10 degrees above zero and snowed quite a bit on the 1st then was 2 degrees below zero the morning of the 2nd and 2 degrees above zero on the 3rd then warmed up, altho March wasn't a very warm month. We had rain on 11 different days and is very wet now. We had a few nice sunshiny days and quite a few cloudy days. The warmest for the month was 60 degrees.

Lovington, Illinois - Henry R. Yoder

March went by cold and damp with some snow yet at the first one half of the month. Many days of cloudiness and light rains and freezes.

No field work done in March to speak of. A few fields of oats were seeded between showers. Very little plowing done.

Corn and Soybeans declined during the month of March. At first of month corn was around \$2.50 bu. While at last of March corn was \$2.30 bu. Soybeans accordingly from \$6.42 bu. to \$5.72. While milk prices were about an all time high for grade A. Hog prices haven't appreciated and cattle on market also declined. The calf market is good with young calves in good demand.

Marion, Kentucky - Samuel Hertzler

March came in like a lion. On March 1 the temperature was at zero with weather about as stormy as any we ever get with the cold factor at 35 degrees below. It was an all time record for cold on that day. The entire month was very unsettled with sudden temperature changes and was also the wettest month for the winter.

Hog price is at 27 cents per lb. Feeder pigs are selling up to 60 cents per lb. There are only half as many feeder pigs on the weekly sales, as there were when the cheap hogs we have now, were feeder pigs. Cattle price all around is lower.

Ethridge [Lawrence County] Tennessee - Moses J. Gingerich March certainly started in like a lion and has been very wet and rainy with cold weather in between rains. People are watching there chance to get in the ground to get crops in, some oats are sown and a little garden in.

Pleasantville [Perry County] Tennessee - Ruth J. Miller

March has been a pleasant month for Tennessee altho the first few days started in sorta rough.

On first the temperature was 18 degrees on the 3rd it was 10 degrees, from the 4th to 5th it was around 48 degrees to 58 degrees, from the 8th to 9th it was from 68 degrees to 70 degrees, it stayed around 40 from the 9th thru the 23rd. On the 29th it was real pleasant and on the 31st it was 68 to 70 degrees and clear on the 20th it rained about 6 inches and the creek really flooded.

We have also been having seemingly our share of flu or something thats been going around but all in all we have much to

be thankful for.

Hauling manure and plowing has been the main work around here, some gardens are up real nice already.

Huntingdon, Tennessee - Mrs. Rudy Troyer

March brought us a little of about all kinds of weather. It came in like a lion, with cold wind and snow.

But a few days later the daffidils were blooming. Some early garden things are up and some strawberry blossoms have been seen. Field work has been rather slow yet due to wet weather.

Pike County, Missouri - Jacob A. Mast

March started in like a lion and ended like a lamb. Not much cold weather. Had from 4 to 6 inches of snow on the 12th also enough rain to keep most of the farmers out of the field.

Had about 1 inch of rain the night of the 29th. One farmer got a

field of oats sowed the 20th.

Audrain County, Missouri - Samuel D. Beachey

March was cool and more wintery for a while. Ice stayed on the ponds until the 10th. A few nice and warm days got the wheat and grass started nicely. The week of the 17th was mostly rainy cool and damp. Clearing off on the last day, looks like a nice wash day.

Anabel, Missouri - Mrs. Abe Y. Borntreger

A snow storm left 7 inches of snow on Feb. 29 and Mar. 1 along with some wind. Mar. 2 it was 3 below. A freezing rain the 7th and 2 inches snow the 8th. We received 6 inches snow the 12 and high winds not so cold. The last week we received quite a bit of rain which has filled cisterns and ponds up quite a bit, which stops water shortage for quite a few anxious farmers. No field work done nor gardens planted. March 31 sun is shining, first time for a week.

February was more normal again. We had snow on the ground until the 18th, then since it was quite changeable. Some nice days and then others it was close to zero again. There is a lot of flu around. Also quite a few farm sales among both Amish and nonAmish.

Windsor, Missouri - Mrs. Monroe Hershberger

March began rather cold and snowy. Majority of our meats were butchered in late February or this month because it seemed too warm to have it done earlier.

Daytime temperatures hit 60 degrees every month this winter reaching 80 degrees once this month. Early gardens were planted the week of the 17th and some oats sown and worked in. Then last week we had plenty of moisture, mostly slow drizzling rains. This is now the 31st, 60 degrees, sunny and a lovely but wet, spring day thus ending March of 1980.

My husband saw a garden in town where peas and lettuce were up and growing nicely, even before we had ours planted.

LaPlata, Missouri - Mrs. Mose M. Borntreger

This month we have had a lot of dreary weather. It rained the 4th then turned to snow. Also snowed about all day the 12th and in the forenoon of the 24th. It was rainy the 7th, 20th, the night of the 26th, 27th, 28th and the 30th. The night before last we got 1¾ inches so the ground is pretty well soaked. Suns shining on the morning of the 31st. Had rather cool temperatures in the mornings ranging from 4 above to 43 degrees in the mornings, but warmed up during the day quite a bit. Had 70 degrees on the 16th, mostly up in the 40's and 50's. No oats sowed as yet.

Seymour, Missouri - Menno D. Schwartz

This month came in like a lion thru here, so it ought to go out like a lamb. Been having quite a bit of rain off and on. Some thundering. Grass is greening up some. A good time for fencing, as

here we have to drive the posts down on account of the rocks and it helps if the ground is wet.

Its about time for oats sowing, but ground is still too wet. Oats

and new grass is all we put out.

We have 2 hens with a few chicks that hatched already, (green

eggs) already colored for Easter.

Ponds all full of water to start the season. A very important thing on our farm. We have running water every place for the stock from the ponds.

Hog price very low. \$31, \$30 this week, cattle lower, eggs .60, horses that are work teams very high. Lebanan Missouri started a horse sale now. Milk \$10.65 for 3.5 test.

Marshfield, Missouri - Ruben Yoder

March was a series of cycles of warm then wind then rain and turned colder with a few snow flurries then it cleared off, warmed up and did it all over again. Take these cycles every 5 or 6 days varying from 75 to 25 degrees till the last week it was mostly rain. Field work is at a stand still as the soil is wet.

Hog prices are poor \$35. cwt., cattle prices are slipping several dollars every week. Milk is still strong at \$10.93 for 3.5 test.

Jamesport, Missouri - Amos W. Yoder

We had about 6 inches snow Feb. 29th, but it was all gone again within a week. Then March 12th had another 6 inches of wet snow, which also lasted but a few days. The last part of March was mostly cloudy and had an inch rain the 29th.

A few gardens have been planted, but no oats sowed yet and

very little field work has been done.

Beebe, Arkansas - Lester F. Graber

The daffodils are blooming for a week already at this writing (3-21). Many people have made their garden already and others should be doing it.

We have been having plenty of rain lately which is different from what we had all winter. Usually the Arkansas winter is generally wet, but we were 5 inches and more behind our average rainfall for this time, before the rain. We received upwards of several inches. Several of the creeks flooded the road again.

The grass is green for some time already now. Trees are budding out. Some of the earlier crops are planted already, but right now it has to dry out some before more can be done.

Reno County, [Partridge area] Kansas - Edward A. Mast

March made up for some of the winter we didn't have in January. It being wetter and cooler than average. The second week was mostly sunny and real windy which dried the ground enough to plant some oats and spring barley. The lion - lamb idea of March didn't hold out this year as both ends were roaring with snow and colder.

Wheat is starting to green up. Barnyards are a little extra soft.

Haven [Reno County] Kansas - Mrs. E. E. Schrock

March seemed to be a rough one this year. Had quite a few strong winds, some snow and more than average rainful for March. Temperatures from 4 to 70 degrees.

Oats haven't all been sowed yet. Few gardens planted.

Bloomfield [Davis County] Iowa - Mrs. Daniel D. Yoder

March came in like a lion with cold and snow and lots of wind. Temperatures moderated and usually in twenties or thirties. a few highs of 50 or 55 degrees. Last week was damp and cloudy mostly with an all day drizzle on the 30th but very beautiful on the 31st. Fat hog prices were down to \$29. last week. Interest rates around 18% at banks.

Hazletown, Iowa - Joe Yoder

March was still on the winter side, 3 zero mornings and below the first mornings of the month. The 2nd it was 10 below zero, 4th a snow from the Northeast. Last half of the month was milder, but damp and mostly cloudy, a little snow again on the 29th.

Horse sales numerous, still bring a good price. Bidders not quite

as active as a year ago. I saw 1 fellow plowing the 28th.

Johnson County, Iowa - E. S. Bontrager

Spring time is here, several farmers were seen plowing the last several days. No oats sowed as yet, could be done in a few days if it keeps drying off. Some farmers have hay to sell, on account of the mild winter we had.

Harmon, Minnesota - Mrs. Chriss Stutzman

March came in like a lamb and the last day was also nice. We had some zero weather the first week but not much snow till the 9th and 13th. We had more snow then at any time during the winter

months. Snow is all gone and seems like spring is here.

Utica, Minnesota - Atlee J. Shetler

March came in as a lion, zero and below up to the 12th. We had a heavy snow on the forenoon of the 9th and by noon the sun came out nice and bright, by the 15th and 16th the snow about all disappeared. On the nite of the 21st we got a new layer again, but didn't last long. The last two weeks were real pleasant but no field work done. We had no blizzard all winter so we may still be due for one. It left us as a lamb.

A lot of farm sales and not selling so high due to the high

interest.

Blair, Wisconsin - Mrs. Moses S. Miller

March had several below zero mornings. The 1st was 10 below, a few more were 6 below. The 10th was very windy. From the 11th to the 20th was mild, some sunny and warm days. Rain on the 16th. Snowed on the 22nd and 23rd. The last week was nice, mostly warm and sunny. The snow is gone. Had very little spring rains so far. Maple syrup is being cooked.

Amherst, Wisconsin - Mrs. L. J. Borntrager

March came in like a lamb and looks like it would go out like a lamb, too. We had ideal weather in March, several snows, but its mostly gone except in the woods. Some folks are cooking maple syrup.

Milk price is \$11.12 for 3.5 test.

Chetek, Wisconsin - Mrs. Henry Lehman

The first day of March was 12 below zero with a raw wind. The rest of March was from zero to 34 degrees. Usually warmed up fast during the day. We had quite a few days with the March wind. Snow fell on the 23rd. Was 3 inches in the morning and again the

Snow fell on the 23rd. Was 3 inches in the morning and again the 27th we had 2 inches but both times it was all melted by afternoon. Snow is almost all gone, just a few white patches here and there. But there's a lot of water running. Creeks overflowing and culverts can't take it fast enough at times. Reports are frost is only 8 inches deep.

Wilton, Wisconsin - Jacob D. Hochstetler

March was cold to start with the first 10 days, but was nice no storms etc. Had more snow in March than Feb. and Jan. both. Had 8 inches of snow the 13th and again 6 inches the 23rd. Also a few snows in between of only a couple inches. Snow is mostly gone the last of March. Didn't have high snow banks along the road like usual.

Maple sap is running the last few days. Still quite a lot of frost in ground. No field work done yet. Farm sales are numerous. Prices have come down the last week or so.

Hog and pigs came down considerable also calves.

Branch County, Michigan - Mrs. Noah N. Schwartz

March has been a fairly nice month with March coming in with below zero weather and sunny skies. Also had snow showers but didn't stay on ground very long. Had several rainy and windy days. Geese have been seen flying north and birds are returning. Some field plowing is being done.

Bronson, Michigan - Ora A. Graber

The weather pattern for the month was rather damp, with snow and rain alternating every few days, especially the latter part of the month. Some plowing has been done already, but not as much as last year this time.

Seems cattle and hog prices as well as grain prices are on the downturn, unusual for this time of the year. Corn is near \$2.00 a

bushel again and hogs and cattle in the thirties.

Norwich, Ontario, Canada - Levi D. Stutzman

March came in brisk and cold with our coldest being 7 below on the 2nd. By the 3rd it warmed up and was a little milder. On the 8th we got enough snow that we had good sleighing the next day, but the roads were bare again by Monday. The first day of spring was very nice, but the next day was windy and rainy turning to snow by eve.

Chesley, Ontario, Canada - Jacob Hershberger

March came in like a lamb so we can look for some colder weather the last part of the month. We had a snow storm the 11th and one on the 21st and about average temperature for March. The people have tapped, but not much syrup yet.

The weather in February was very nice less snow than usual temperature about normal, some sub zero weather a few mornings

15 below and some mild days.

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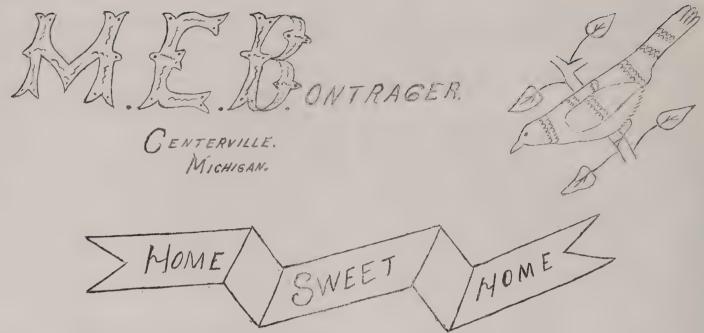
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## LIFESKETCH OF M. E. BONTRAGER

Submitted by Mose D. Bontrager

Manass Bontrager was born in Lagrange County, Indiana on October 8, 1868. He married to Fannie Miller, born April 23, 1872, daughter of Simon L. Miller.

Manass was ordained to the ministry on May 26, 1895, in Lagrange County, Indiana and in the year 1906 they moved to Ford County, Kansas, where he was later ordained Bishop.

We are quite sure the above information is correct as it was in the Bontrager record book. The rest is just what we have been told.

In about 1920 he moved to Middlebury, Indiana and lived there about 10 years, then moved to a small settlement in Missouri. They lived there about 2 years then moved to Centerville, Michigan, where he lived until his death.

Their Children:
Ezra born October 21, 1892
John born July 14, 1894
Anna born August 18, 1895
Katie born April 26, 1898
Joas born September 15, 1899
Enos born November 21, 1900
Fannie born February 22, 1897, died 1897
Mannass born February 15, 1904
Millie born October 1, 1905
Lydia born August 18, 1907
Levi born July 18, 1911
Mary born October 21, 1913.

From the Family Bible of Johannes Y. Bontrager in the home of Bishop John J. Yoder, Dover, Delaware

Das buch gehoret uns Johannes und Feronica Bontrager.

Johannes Y. Bontrager was born April 26, 1834, died 1910. Feronica Kaufmann was born February 5, 1834, died 1918, married October 9, 1853.

Their children:
Elizebeth born December 9, 1854
Levi born March 8, 1856
Simeon born December 28, 1857, died 1885
Jacob born April 19, 1859
Daniel born December 25, 1860
Dora born September 18, 1862
Johannes born May 2, 1864
Magdelena born December 16, 1866, died 1903
Manasses born October 8, 1868
Feronica born June 22, 1870
Millie born July 31, 1877

### ANOTHER LIFESKETCH AND POEM

John F. Bontrager: Middlebury, Indiana was born in Somerset County, Pennsylvania, on April 28, 1834, and died in Lagrange County, Indiana, on August 10, 1910. He was married to Fanny Kauffman of Goshen, Indiana, Amish Church. Their children were: Elizabeth; Levi; Simeon; Daniel; Anna; John (killed by lightning when 12 years old); Mattie; Manassas and Fannie.

Manassas E. Bontrager: Middlebury, Indiana was born in Lagrange County, Indiana on October 8, 1868 and died in June 1947 at Centreville, Michigan. He was married about 1890 or 91 to Fannie Miller. She was born April 23, 1872, daughter of Simon L. Miller, Goshen, Indiana.

Manassas was ordained to the ministry in the Amish Church, at Middlebury, Indiana, on May 26, 1895. In the year 1906 he moved to Dodge City, Kansas. Where he was later ordained bishop. In the fall of 1921 he moved back from Ford County, Kansas to Middlebury, Indiana. At that time the compulsory school law was such that if a scholar was thru the 8th grade before he was 16 he was compelled to go to high school. We do not know of all the events that took place between the years 1921-25. But Bishop Eli J. Bontrager in his life story, has this to say about Manass. (although he did not mention his name) In September 1922 their bishop

(meaning Manass) took upon himself to decide a quite serious matter regarding high school attendance, which was quite offensive to a number of bishops and ministers as well as other members. After several largely attended meetings he was silent in the ministry. And as Eli J. Bontrager stated in his story, he stood that way for 3 years. It must have been in the summer of 1925 that he was reinstated, for in the fall of 1925 he was doing his duty as bishop of the church. In the summer of 1926 there was another meeting about Manass's circumstances.

It was in the fall of 1926 or in the spring of 1927 that Manass moved to Sikeston or Tanner, Missouri. Either the fall of 1934 or spring of 1935 they moved to Centerville, Michigan where he served as bishop of the church there. He lived there until his death in June of

> The golden sun is setting The evening shades appear O may we all remember The night of death draws near.

By M. E. Bontrager

The following poem was written by Manass E. Bontrager and sent to his brother Levi when they lived in Missouri

> Lieber bruder, weil noch ist zeit Nahm ich einsch die gelegenheit Ein par zeilen dir zu schreiben Sir fennen wir nicht immer bleiben.

Oft und viel benk ich an bich Wunder ob du haft vergeffen mich Im geift bin oft an viel bei bir Unser zeit ift turtz auf erden bir.

Und wet viel lieber bei Jefu fein Auf erden hir ift angst und pein Es geht to start in der verfall Man siehet es fast überall.

Nau bruder nim es mir zu gut Machsht mir oft mehr ernst und muth Von Jefu zu schreiben zu gute freund Die helfen Kämpfen wider den feind.

So vielen meinen und bekennen Und nur den namen Jefu nennen Aber sein Kreuz nicht wollen tragen Und laffen fich fo gar nichts fagen.

Die frommen miffen verstoßen fein Mit der forift tommt es überein Ich leiber fest by Jesu steh Als mit dem strohm der welt hie geh.

Der hochmuth nimmt vaft überhand In diefer zeit in unferm land Die gemeinen gehen in der verfall Mann härts beklagt vast überall.

Der boße feind ber folummert nicht Er geht umber wie Jesus sprict Aber Jesus ruft zu mir und dir Verleugne dich und folge mir.

In diese freie zeitist viel gefahr Es gehet weiter von jahr zu jahr Das dicten und tracten in diefer welt Für lift und blafir und welt und gelt.

Viele nach dem reich Gottes tracten Gemeinen ordnung ganz veracten Thr eignen weg nur wollen nehmen Vor Gott und menschen fic nicht scämen.

Nau will id mein schreiben enden Mit einen gruß es zu dir senden Wie wir do verlaffen so folgt der lohn Von Gott dem Vater und lieben Sohn.

#### **EDITORIAL NOTE**

It is obvious from the collections of Mannass E. Bontrager that he had a wonderful gift of knowledge in a wide field. Those of us who remember his sermons, know that he was well versed in scripture. A Senior bishop has made a statement in Geauga County, Ohio, in 1960, that he knows of no one that has a deeper knowledge to Scripture and to law than M. E. Bontrager. This may also hold true in the field of knowledge in colonial life and patriotism as is shown in his memoir included in this Diary. Poetry, art and penmanship speak for themselves in these pages.

J. B.

## EARLY COLONIAL HISTORY AS SEEN BY M. E. BONTRAGER

As probably many people during the last years have read many articles in regard to Conscientious objectors that here to fore never heard or gave any thought that there were or are a religious sect in the U.S. that have conscientious scruples against war. But history teaches us that Wm. Penn receiving a grant of land from the King of Great Brition. Wm Penn himself being a Quaker and the Quakers having conscientious scruples to war. He visited and incouraged the Mennonites of which the Amish are also a branch to come to America and settle on his Province in America where they were granted religious freedom. But during the revoluntionary war Penn's Provience became one of the original states the Quakers and Mennonites had much in common being both were C. O.'s and neither would swear an oath, and at that time were plain people. And many Mennonites and Quakers were persecuted and denied religious freedom in Europe at times were driven from one country to another and their property confiscated, many were imprisioned some were burned at the stake, so many emigrated to America to the land of the free, where they could worship God to the dictates of their conscious. History gives a few Mennonites in the latter part of the 16th century

emigrated to America of the Amish branch the first part of the 17th century, so they were of the first of the pioneer settlers in Penns Provience which later became the State of Penna.

C. Henry Smith's book Mennonite emigration to Pennsylvania may be of interest to some people. Johannes Richenbough appears as an emigrant of the year 1733 a passenger on Board Pink Mary, settled near Reading, Penna., not sure of him being of the Amish faith, but were inter-married with the Amish.

David Rittenhouse the grandson of Wm Rittenhouse the first Mennonite Preacher in America. David the grandson of Wm was the greatest mathematician and scientist next to Franklin in the Colonial period in George Washington's estimation. The late Samuel Pennyapacker at one time govenor of Penn. was a great grand son of Matthias Pennyapacker a well known Mennonite Preacher during the time of the revolutionary war. Many under the name. Pennyapacker in the past and present were known as influental statesmen Jurist and leaders in civic enterprises. Other prominent names can be traced to these early settlers of Germantown who were of Mennonite origon. General Custer of Indian massacre farm was a decendant of Paul Kuster an early Mennonite emigrant. Samuel Cunrad decendant by the fifth generation of the Thomas Konden founded the first line of Steamers sailing between America and Europe and gave his name to what is now the greatest steamship company in the world. Bayard Taylor the poet essayist and traveler was of Quaker and Mennonite decendant his grand father a Quaker and his grand mother a Mennonite.

Stating there news with reference to attending court taking part in election and holding office they having conscientious scruples against these things. Penn was sick at the time but the council granted their request in 1890. The first paper mill was built by William Rittenhouse in 1738. Christopher Saur started his first printing press in the colony in 1743. Then came from this press a quote edition of the first Bible the oldest edition printed in America. Both men were of the Mennonite faith. A reason for the conservative attitude in their early life history. First of all they were a persecuted people driven from piller to post regarded as outlaws for nearly one hundred years and barely tolerated for another hundred years. Then forced to live in out of the way places in the mountains and secluded valleys of Switzerland and South Germany cut off from the main currents of live about them. Added to this was

the teaching of our forefathers of living a life apart from the world. As Paul therefore brethren stand fast and hold to the traditions which ye have been taught whether by word or our epistle. The Amish always believed in the doctrine of Peace and never tried to seek notoriety. The Amish are noted for simplicity in dress, mostly farmers and all those who live and practice what they are taught are honest and law abiding citizens.

M. E. Bontrager

# FROM THE JOHN J. YODER COLLECTION A letter to M. E. Bontrager

Allenville, Pa. - Feb. 9, 1920

Lieber Bruder und Hausvater in Gottes Weinberg, M. E. Borntreger Weib und Kinder, Gnade, Friede und Liebe wird euch wie uns alle gewünscht um in der angenommenen Wahrheit fest zu steh und ausharren biss an ein Selig ende durch Jesum Christum Amen.

Weiters ein Liebens und Friedens gruss an euch alle, und sonderlich auch an dein mitarbeiter Aaron, wie auch an die ander Diener-Brüder und schwestern wo eben mit uns denselben Theuren Glauben überkommen haben, und noch fest gegründet sind auf dem Fundament wo Jesus Christus der Eckstein ist Weil kein ander Grund gelegt kan werden wo irgend einiger trost oder verheissung hat, und wo net unter geh wird, Jetz dein Brief vom 20ten Jenner geschrieben hab ich erhalten, War in der Tafel Schupblat wo ich heim Kommen bin von Allen Co Donn hab ich ihn mit Frieden gelesen, und war sehr froh von euch zu hören. Ich bin heim kommen Samstag abends, der letzt tag in Jenner und war sonderlich froh wieder daheim zu sein Die alt Welley mit ihr Bergen und Hügel (und wo das wasser Hiwel ruf last) ist als noch gut genug für mich, Wir sind Montagsden 19ten von heim und waren schier 2 wochen fort, und ob etwas gutes geschaft ist worden weis Gott allein. Es ist probiert worden um sie neher zusammen griegen, und ob es so kommt wuren wir vielleicht hernach erfahren Der Joseph Grawer ist gestellt worden am Dienst. Es waren 14 fremde Diener dort, der Peter und Joseph Wagler von Dewis Co. der Joseph und Jacob Schwarz von Adams der Wilhelm Joder von Narschell, der Eli Weirich von Legrange, der Don Bitsche, Ande Mast, Dev Blank, und Joseph Schrack, von Ill. und der Ben Beiler und Eli Beiler und ich, und no war der Jacob Grawer von Nort Decote dort uf besuch, und war auch dabei, das wetter war zimlich Kalt die mehrst Zeit und guten Schlittenweg. Wir haben do bei uns Schlittenweg kat sitter dir do waret, der Morgen wo wir fort sind hat es tichtig geschneet, und wo ich heim Kommen bin dann war viel Schnee, und die Wegen waren Eisig, dann letzt Dienstag nacht hat es anfangen Schnen und hat Mitwochs der ganz tag und die ganz nacht geschneet und ein starker Nord ost wind, und hat grosse benks geben blatzweis. Etliche von den Fenstern am Hinkelstall waren ganz zu geschneet. Es ist negst 2 fuss Schnee gefallen und sitter sonn geblossen und macht es unhendich tur rum kommen. Des ist nau Dienstag morgen. Ich hab der Brief net tertig grickt gester Abend, denn wir haben besuch grickt. Letzt nacht hat es wieder sonn geschneet und ist als dra der Morgen,

der Dev. Blank und Joseph Schrack waren hin in Va bei dem Lewis Bitsche, und durch ihr einfluss ist die Meidung gestellt woren wer will Kan, und wer net will brauch net. Ich bin besorgt so ein sach kann net besteh. Es guckt zu mirwann die Meidung noch viel trubel verursache will unter die sogenannte Amische Gemeinde und ich meine doch das ist die Zaun um den Weinberg rein zu halten. Ich bin grat einig mit deinem schreiben, wann wir hin und her reisst unter die Gemeinen dann kann mer als sehen das es von zeit zu zeit weiter geht, und oft viel nachgegeben wird, um die Herd beieinander zu halten, und ist zu furchten das dadurch die Braut Christe in verwustung kommt, und wann dann Christus kommen wird mit seine viel Tausend Engel er sie nicht annehmen wird. Ich war am Freitag unner der Jost Joder sehen, seller Mann wo schon krank war wo dir do waret, ich hab euch ann gefahren Sonntags nach der Gemein. Er liegt als noch im bett und ist noch wiet von gut, muss als noch husten, der doctor meint seine lung hat sich noch nicht gebutzt die leute sonnst rumsind zimlich gesund so viel mir bekannt ist. Am Samstag waren zwei Leichten, eine in der Hoch Gemein und eine in der Neubreske Gemein. Ich will ablassen mit mein ungeschickt schreiben und Bittet der liebe Gott fur uns, wollen auch so thun fur euch aber in grosser schwachheit. So viel von uns geringe freund doch wohl wünscher, David und Kete Pitsche. Und schreib wieder, ich kann net so kunstlich schreiben als du aber ich hoff du kannst es lesen.

Poems written by Grandfather M.E. Bontrager

How lovely were my childhood days When my sisters and I together played Now I am alone it is God's ways My companion dear in the earth was laid.

It was God's will I'll not complain Altho it's hard I do confess For all alone to hear remain Until God calls to give me rest.

This wicked world in which we live Oft gives me pain and long to go If it is wrong may God forgive I long for her I loved her so.

Still I meet friends so dear to me
But none so dear as the one who's gone
I often wonder how can it be
I here on earth be left alone.

O God of mercy you know best You called her home an angel sweet You loved her too, you gave her rest But O how long until we meet.

There was a place I loved so dear I called it home for many a year No other place to me so grand Whether far or near in this fair land.

When I came home there was father and mother There were my sister and my brother No other place so dear to me I had no care I was so free. I often think I yet can see
My footprints to the apple tree
But times have changed in many ways
The joys I had in my childhood days.

So pleasant to think of days gone by I can not forget don't ask me why I love to think of my school days So different from now in many ways.

For there were apples and also cherries The huckle berry marsh so full of berries And for what more could one wish The lakes so near and full of fish.

When now I go on the old home place Of my boyhood dreams I still can trace Tho many a change now I can see But still it's next to home for me.

So one and all this world must leave So let us all in God believe So we can meet on Canaan's shore To be with God and part no more.

The days so often seem so long I often wonder what is wrong It often makes me feel so sad So few distinguish good from bad.

God is so kind and full of love His spirit comes from heaven above So let us all our selves prepare So of his blessing reap our share.

This world may fight and kill each other Let us be true to one another And let us pray that God will end And peace to mankind he will send.

God sent his son to declare his will Once it was true and is true still To beat the sword into plowshares The spear in pruning hold declares.

O God have mercy on every one Send thy blessing to old and young No matter who or where we be That we may pray and worship thee.

A poem written by Uncle Levi when he was in North Africa, to his father, M. E. Bontrager

> A better man will never be, Then you who gave so much to me, Who spent your life to make me glad, I speak of you my dearest dad.

I hope dear dad you'll always know, I think of you where'er I go, I always thank the Lord above, For your devoted father love.

I am grateful more than I can say, Your gifts to me I cannot pay, And thru my life I bear in mind, Dear thoughts of you my dad so kind.

Throughout this life from start to end, I'll never meet a grander friend,

I'll never meet a grander soul, Who lived so well your moral role.

I'll not forget how you did yearn, That all life's goodness I should learn, And how your heart spoke out with glee, As I learned all that you taught me.

You know dear dad we mortal men. Fail so much to fully pen,
The gratitude, the debt we owe
To you who taught me all I know.

All thru my life I pray sincere, That I may be like my dad dear, And too that I may live to be, The father that you were to me.

And so dear dad my thanks to you, My father real devoted true, And Lord I pray my thanks to thee, For him giving this dad to me.

An answer to a poem written by Uncle Levi while he was working in the hospital in Italy by his father
M. E. Bontrager

My dearest son I hope to see, You boys come home so full of glee When you come home from the battle field Where you stand firm and never yield.

May God bless you in your work Take good care and never shirk It is hard to understand Why you suffer in a foreign land.

Trust in God and bear in mind God is merciful and also kind Let us pray to God that he will end And peace to mankind he will send.

So my best wishes to all of you Trust in God in all you do For the time will come for everyone To leave this world for a home beyond.

Written to Ezra and Family from Missouri to Delaware by Grandpa

Now Sammie I write to you a line Just to please you I shall make it rhyme If I could I'd make it better You are old enough to write grandpa a letter.

Today I got a line or two
It was dutch and so are you
Try again and make it longer
Always improve as you grow stronger.

It was like Kansas here today Always so windy I should say We have wet instead of dry But it takes Kansas to make dust fly.

Now Mary youns have a baby dear Wish youns all were staying here We'll go to Tanner and buy some candy, You'd surely think Missouri is dandy. Now Katie how I like to see You and Eli if it could be If youns were here youns could see Grandma, Mollie, Levi and me.

Here we are nearly all alone All day long from early morn Going to Tanner and back again Not much work it is too much rain.

John's children give us much relief You would like it here I do believe As least I know that we'd be glad But our wish cannot always be had.

I bid youns all a kind adieu
Except these lines that I have written you
As a token of kindness and of love
Until we meet in heaven above.

Ein Simmelebrief

Welcher mit golbenen Buchftaben geschrieben, um zu sehen ist in der St. Michaelis Kirche zu St. Germain, wird genannt Grodoria allwo der Brief über der Taufeschwebet Wer ihn angreisen Will, von dem weichet er, wer ihn abschreiben will, zu dem neiget er sich, und thut Sich selber auf.

Unterweise mich du daß ich bewahre dein geses, und halte es wo ganzen Herzen Pfalm 119

Gieb mir mein Sohn dein Herz, und laß deinen Augen meine Wege wohlgefallen Sprücke. Solomon 23 v. 26

Eine Bitte Jum Drud

S. K. Bare, Hanover, York Co., Pa. December 5, 1871?

Du kannst diesen Brief für Deine intressen drucken wenn du willst. Ich will nur etliche exemplare.

Also gebiete ich euch, daß Thr des Sonntags nicht arbeitet an euren Gütern auch fonft teine Arbeit thut, follt fleiffig zur Kirden gehen und mit Andacht beten, und eure Saare nicht fräuseln, noch Hoffart in der Welt treiben und von eurem Reichtum. Den Armen mittheilen, und glauben, daß ich diefen Brief mit meiner göttlichen Sand von Jesu Christo aufgesandt, das Thr nicht thut, wie die unverüngtigen Thiere: Ich gebe Euch sechs Tage eure Arbeit fortzusepen und am Sonntag früh in die Kirde gehen, die heilige Predigt und Gottes Wort zu hören weret ihr das nicht thun; so will ich euch strafen mit Peftilenz, Krieg und theure Zeit. To gebiete eud, daß ihr bes Samstags nicht zu spat arbeiter, bes Sonntags price in der Kirchen mit Jedermäniglich, Jung und Alt mit Andacht für eure Sünde bittet und betet, daß sie euch vergeben werden, sowöret nicht boshaftig bei meinem Namen, begehet nicht Silber noch Gold und fehet nicht auf fleischliche Lüfte und begierben, so bald ich euch geschaffen habe, fobald kann ich euch zerschmettern, einer foll den andern nicht töten mit der Zunge: feid nicht falfc euren Nächsten hinter den Rüden, freuet euch eurer Güter und

Reichthums nicht, ehret Vater und Mutter rebet nicht falfd Zeugnisse wieder euren Nächsten so gebe ich euch Gefundheit und Friede; und wer den Brief nicht glaubet und sich nicht darnach richtet der wird weder glück noch Segen haben. Den Brief foll einer dem andern abschreiben: und wenn ihr fo viel Sünden gethan Sättet als am Meer, und fo viel laub auf den Bäumen und Stern am himmel fein Sollen fie euch vergeben werden: Glaubet gänzlich was diefer Brief euch lehret und sagt wer das nicht glaubet der foll fterben. Bekehret euch, oder ihr werdet ewiglich gepeinigt werden und ich werde euch fragen am jungften Tage, und ihr werdet mir muffen Antwort geben von wegen euren groffen Sünde. Wer den Brief in feinem Haufe hat, oder bei fich träget, die wird ein löbliche wetter swaden, und sollet ihr vor Feuer und Waffer behütet werden. Haltet meine Gebote die ich durch meinen Eng Frucht und fröhlichen Anblid auf die Welt bringen.

Ein Soon Chriftlides Bebat Alle Stunden gu Spreden

Gott der du deine Lust im Himmel hast zu wohnen Gott, Bater, Sohn und Geist allein dich ruf ich an. In Wesen einig, und Dreifaltig Mensch Kein Gott mir ohne dich den Himmel geben kann.

Gott beherrscht, Hoffnung ernahret, ach Gott! To bitt verlaß mich nicht. Wer Gott vertraut, hat wohl gebaut, den will er nicht verlaffen, ob schon die Feinde dich verfolgen und haffen, so trau auf Gott, er wird auch dich in keiner Noth verlaffen. In groffer Noth, je näher Gott. Trink und if, Gott und der Armen nicht vergif, Gottes Güt und Treu, wird alle Morgen neu. Was Gott will erquiden, fann niemand unterdruden, Gott lagt die feinigen finken, aber nicht ertrinken. Ich trau auf Gott allein, Menschen hub ift klein. Gott weiß wohl Sülf und Rath menschliche Hülf ein Ende hat. Mit Gott dein sach thu fragen an, fo wird es guten Fortgang han. Hab Gott vor Augen und sein Wort so geht es dir wohl hier und dort. Wer willig gibt den Armen, des wird sich Gott erbarmen. Wer zum Himmel ift erfohren steden täglich dirteln und Jammer Kreutz, Elend und Noth, ift aller Chriften täglich Brodt im unglud hab ein Löwen Muth, trau Gott es wird noch werden gut ja beffer al man hoffen thut. Zu dir, Herr Gottes Sohn, steht meines Herzens Freud und Won. Mein Ruhm, mein troft, mein höchftes gut, ift mir, herr Chrift, bein theures Blut! Sorg und forg auch nicht zu viel es geschieht doch, was Gott haben will. Der Chriften Herz auf Rosen geht, wenns mitten unterm Creupe steht. Bergage nicht im Creupe bein, nach dem Regen folget Sonnenschein. Herr Jefu! der füffe Name bein, erquide mir die Seele mein, herr Jefu Chrift mein Troft und Freud, ich trau auf dich zu jeder Zeit. O frommer Chrift hin leit und meid, bald kommt darauf die gute Zeit. Vieleicht kommt der wohl über Nacht, der alles Dinges ein Ende macht. Kirchen gehet faumet nicht. Allmosen geben armet nicht. Bete rein, Schäpe dich flein erbeite fein, trau Gott allein, die Sorge laß Gott befohlen fein.

Nicht Teufel, Welt und Tod mich von Jesu wenden, Denn Jesus ist mein Schap, ich bin in seinen Händen.

Fefus Chrift zu finder ift Im Wort da man von Jefu lieft Jefu gieb Heil und Seligkeit Denn der dient Jefu alle zeit Wer fich des Namens Jefu tröft Der wird durch Jefum Chrift erlöft Jefum dem lieben Kindelein, Dem herzen lieben Jefulein, Sei Lob und Prieß, D Jefu mild, Schüp uns, Jefu durch dein Schild, Gieb uns Herr Jefu! deine Gnad, Daß uns Welt, Teufel, Tod nich schad.

Gewiß ift der Tod, ungewiß der Tag Die ftund auch niemand wiffen mag Drum traue E ott und Diene dabei Daß inde Stune die lette fei Tm Leiden hab ein guten Muth, Und liebe den, der dich leid thut. Freu dich von Herzen in Schwacheit Das ift die ganze Bollfommenheit So geht es zu, zu aller Zeit! Thu mir Lieb ich thu dir Leid Hilf mir auf, ich ftoß dich nieder, Ehr mich hoch, ich schänd dich wieder.

Sag nicht alles, was du weifft,
Thu nicht alles, was man dich heifft,
Glaub nicht alles, was du hörst
Richte nicht alles was du fiehft.
Ach Gott dies ganze Haus bewahr
Für Feuer Schaden und Gefahr,
Mit Gnad und Segen über uns walt,
Und uns dein reines Wort erhalt,
Herr Fesu! durch den Namen dein,
Gieb mir ein feliges Stündelein,
Steh mir bei bis ans lepte End,
Und nimm meine Seel in deine Händ, Amen.

Ein Glauben Befenntnis von M. E. Bontrager

John J. Joder Sammeln

- 1. Wir glauben nicht an alle geleich Kleiben Antwort: Sie wollen sich gleich mit der Welt Kleiben
- 2. Bekennen nicht an einigen form Antwort: Alle welt mode find in Gottes wort verboten
- 3. Wollen sich nicht Demüthlich anthun oder wie die Diener daß sie nich ein spot werden Antwort: Wollen sich schemen angesehen zu werden als

weren sie ein Diener viel lieber sich Rleiden wie die welt

huren Dieb oder alle welt menschen.

4. Wollen sich schämen vor der welt ein demüthig Kleid zu tragen

Antwort: So viel als wollen fich schemen ein sicht zu sein

vor der welt

5. Meinen ihre gewissen losst ihnen es zu

Antwort: Solde ift nothig zu bitten um erleuchtung in Gottes wort den viele menschen ihre gewiffen schläft

6. Viele wollen es menschen geboten heiffen und nicht als Gottes ordnung erkennen

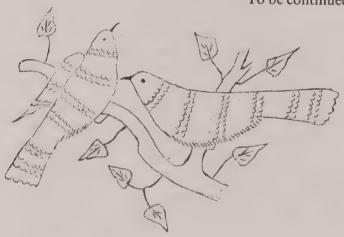
Antwort: Aber folgen die mod der welt welches durch menschen geboten ift in aller hochmuth der welt so doch in Gottes wort verboten ift

7. Es fommt nich so genau an

Antwort: Es komt aber genau an daß wir Gottes wort beobächten

8. Andern die Chriftum bekennen die Thun es Antwort: Diemehrheit find auf dem weiten weg

To be continued



#### **HEPATITIS A**

WHAT IS HEPATITIS A? (also called yellow jaundice)

Hepatitis A is a disease caused by a virus which affects the liver and other organs in the body. The disease may appear suddenly and lasts anywhere from one week to several months depending on the severity of the illness. It appears most frequently in school age children and young adults.

Hepatitis A is spread by person to person contact through the fecal-oral route. This means that the virus is spread from the feces and/or urine of one person and enters through the mouth of another person. This is especially true in crowded institutions or among young children where personal hygiene is poor. Food or water may become contaminated and result in infection, however

#### WHAT ARE THE SYMPTOMS?

The symptoms of Hepatitis A include fever, weakness, loss of appetite, nausea, obdominal discomfort and jaundice (yellow tint to the skin).

#### HOW DO I PREVENT HEPATITIS A?

Outbreaks of Hepatitis A are seen in institutions, and among those living in crowded conditions. To keep from getting the disease, you shoul always remember to wash your hands thoroughly with soap and water before leaving the rest room. Proper disposal of feces and urine is very important. If a member of your immediate household becomes ill with Hepatitis A, your doctor may recommend that all household contacts receive an injection of gamma globulin. This is a Substance that helps to prevent you and your family members from getting the illness from the infected family member.

## **MIGRATIONS**

Mahlon Yoder moved from Marshfield, Missouri to Dixon, Missouri

Eli Yoder moved from Fair Gove, Missouri to Charlotte, Mich. Andy B. A. Bylers moved from Mercer County, Pennsylvania to Punxsy, Pa., Mar. 21

Eli A. E. Bylers moved from Mercer County, Penna. to Punxsy,

Penna., Mar. 26

Bennie B. Kings moved from Airville #2, York County, Penna. to Kirkwood Rd. Lancaster Co., Pa., Feb. 9

David S. Stoltzfus moved from Christiana Rd., Lancaster

County, Pa. to Airville #1, York County, Pa., Feb. 27

John Z. and Rachel (Blank) Stoltzfus and family moved to

John Z. and Rachel (Blank) Stoltzfus and family moved from Lancaster County, Pa. to Montour Co., Pa., Mar. 14

Christ and Emma Hertzler and family moved from Path Valley, Pa. to Montour County, Pa., Mar. 18

Perry Summy moved from Salisbury #1, Pa. to Meyersdale #3,

David A. Kinsinger moved from Meyersdale #1, Pa. to

Whispering Pine Farm, Salisbury #1, Pa. Noah P. Summys moved from Meyersdale #1, Pa. to Meyersdale

Menno J. Yoders moved from Grantsville, Md. to Meyersdale #1,

Eli Mast moved from Meyersdale #1, Pa. to Meyersdale #3, Pa. Ben S. Borntreger family moved from Hamilton, Indiana to Prairie Home, Missouri, Mar. 19

Andy E. and Laura J. (Keim) Shrock moved from Ashland, Ohio

to Cashton, Wisconsin on Apr. 1

Ura Yoders moved from McRae Arkansas to Bowling Green, Missouri, March 7

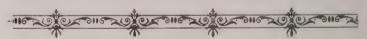
Phineas Mast moved from Bowling Green, Mo. to Prairie Home, Mo., Mar. 22

Ernest Weavers moved from Kenton, Ohio to Fredericktown, Ohio, Feb. 20

Elmer Yoders moved from Clark, Missouri to Frederickstown, Ohio, Mar. 14

David Gingerichs moved from Clark, Missouri to Frederickstown, Ohio, April 2

The Sam Yoder family moved from Alymer, Ont. to Windsor, Mo., Mar. 12



#### Footprints in the Sand

One night I had a dream, I dreamed I was walking along the beach with the Lord and across the sky floated scenes from my life. For each scene I noticed two sets of footprints in the sand, one belonged to me and the other to the Lord. When the last scene of my life flashed before me, I looked back at the footprints in the sand. I noticed, that many times along the path of my life there was only one set of footprints. I also noticed that it happened at the very lowest and saddest times in my life. This really bothered me and I questioned the Lord about it. "Lord, you said that once I decide to follow you, you would walk with me all the way. But I have noticed that during the most troublesome times in my life there is only one set of footprints. I don't understand why in times when I needed you the most you should leave me." The Lord replied, "My precious, precious child, I love you and I would never, never leave you during your times of trial and suffering. When you saw only one set of footprints, it was then that I carried you."

Submitted by - Abner F. Beiler

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## CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS — Continued from page 13

St. Marys, Ontario - Abe Hochstetler

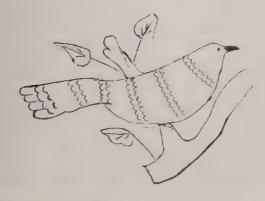
Very cold spell first part of March with moderate snow on ground melting after middle of month. Creeks high, less snow then usual this time of year.

Hog prices take downward trend .45 lb. dressed wt., cattle also under pressure. Considerable amount of factory workers out of work

February was cold except we had a mild spell from the 19th to the 25th, we had below zero twice. 3 below on the 2nd and 7 below on the 29th, being our coldest this winter.

#### **BOOKSHELF** — Continued from back page

coming to America. A short section tells of the coming of the first settlers to Indiana. And includes the descendants of Reuben and Elizabeth. A full index is included. Lester F. Graber, Route 2, Box 60A, Beebe, Arkansas 72012



## OBITUARIES - Continued from page 9

Yoder. He was a diabetic and was getting insulin shots every morning for a number of years. He was of a quiet disposition. (see community notes).

Besides his parents he is survived by 1 sister, Mrs. Daniel (Kathryn) Hoffman, Corpus Christi, Texas; and 2 brothers, Glen Daniel, married to Clara Mae Esch, and Ivan, at home. A grandmother, Katie Plank also survives, besides 3 nieces, 1 nephew, cousins and friends.

Funeral services were held at the residence of his brother, Glen, on March 26, by Bishop Jonas P. Bontrager and Samuel T. Petersheim in german of the home church and by Rev. John Landis in English. Burial in Amish Cemetery, 1½ miles east of Yoder, Kansas. Pallbearers were 4 neighbor boys, Wm. O. Miller, Elmer Eash, Glen David Knepp and Laverne Keim.

Yoder, Mary Y., 82, #2 Sugarcreek, Ohio

died March 18, following a long illness. She was a daughter of Yost and Anna (Miller) Yoder, and was married to Abe J. Yoder, who died in 1976.

Surviving are 2 daughters, Mrs. Christ C. (Anna) Miller, #1 Sugarcreek; Mrs. Jonas J. E. (Fannie) Miller #2 Sugarcreek, 3 sons, Henry A. Yoder, #3 Coshocton; John A., #4 Millersburg and Abner A., Canton, a foster son, Alvin J. Raber, #2 Millersburg, a sister, Mrs. Melvin A. (Katie) Raber of #4 Millersburg, a brother, Joe Y. Miller, #1 Sugarcreek, 24 grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren, a sister and 3 brothers preceded her in death.

Funeral services were held on Friday, at 9:30 a.m. in the Ben D. Miller residence with Bishop Noah J. Coblentz officiating. Burial was in the Coblentz family cemetery in Sugarcreek Township.

Yoder, Mattie B., 61, #2 Sugarcreek, Ohio

died Wednesday, after a five month illness, born in Holmes County, Ohio she was a daughter of John A. and Fannie (Miller) Yoder, and was married to Noah B. Yoder, who died in 1959.

Surviving are 3 daughters and 3 sons, Betty; Mrs. Thomas (Fannie) Anderton, LaVerne, Calif.; Mrs. Mahalia Richards, Irvine, Calif.; Aden N., #5 Millersburg, Ohio; Abe N. #2 Dundee and Glen N., at home; 3 sisters and 3 brothers, Mrs. Lizzie Dean, Decatur, Ill.; Mrs. Jacob (Emma) Hilty, Geneva, Ind.; Mrs. Eli J. C. (Mahalia) Miller, Apple Creek; Abe J., Ashland; David J., #2 Dundee and Andy J., Fredericksburg; 11 grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Saturday at 9:30 a.m. in the David J. Troyer residence on #2 Dundee with Bishop Milo M. Miller officiating. Burial was in Pleasant Hill Cemetery, near Mount

Hope.

# The Home of Jacob Amman in Switzerland

Selected from "Mennonite Quarterly Review,"

April, 1951

The letters concerning the Amish division which took place during the last decade of the seventeenth century make no mention of the place of origin or place of residence of the main character in the controversy, namely, Jacob Amman. The same may be said of Ulrich Ammann and others connected with the schism. Hans Reist, leader of the group that resisted the changes in church doctrine introduced by Jacob Amman and his associates, was a native of Obertal near Zaziwil on the western edge of the Emmental region of Bern. For information on this point one must go beyond the letters written by the participants of this Anabaptist division and delve into the contemporary state and also the state church records of the general area known to have been visited by Jacob Ammann in his tour of the Anabaptist congregations of the Republic of Bern and of Alsace.

The first mention in the state document of Jacob Ammann is in a list of all the Anabaptists living in the region of Sainte-Marie-aux-Mines in alsace dated February 27, 1696. Since this document was written in the French language the name appears here as Jacque Aman. A second list of Anabaptist of the same region compiled in 1703 is signed by Jacob Amann. In 1708 a third list of a similar nature reveals the name Jakob Aman. Just five years later (1713) the Anabaptist congregation of the valley of Sainte-Marie-aux-Mines was nearly rendered extinct when French orders were issued evicting them from Alsace. Most of the members of this settlement went to Lorraine, the Principality of Montbeliard, the Duchy of Zweibrucken and the Breisgau. What became of Jacob Amman after this time is not known.

An adult daughter of Jacob Amman was baptized and admitted into the official state church at Wimmis in the Republic of Bern in the year 1730. This document also mentions that Jacob Amman was an Anabaptist minister who was a native of the Erlenbach commune located in the Simme valley south of Thun. It also reveals the fact that he had died before this time outside of the Republic of Bern. Jacob Amman's daughter was given four Thallers (\$50) by the state when she joined the state church. The state was considered as her godfather.

A psalm book once belonging to Jacob Amman contains a note written by his son, Baltz Ammen, mentioning that he inherited the book from his father, Jacob. It further states that Jacob Amman was no longer living. The note is dated October 4, 1741.

The church records at Erlenbach, native commune of Jacob Amman, give some information on the Amman family but no conclusive evidence concerning his parental background. On May 4, 1688, *Michel Ammon* and his wife, Anna, were questioned by the Erlenbach church officials as to whether they were Anabaptists. They answered in the negative. The very fact that they

were questioned would indicate that they at least at one time had some connection with the Anabaptists of the area. Michel Amman and his daughter, Catherine, were censured by the same officials on July 9, 1693, for not attending church services nor communion for some time. They were warned that if they would not attend communion in autumn they would be considered as Anabaptists and punished accordingly.

In the baptismal records of Erlenbach only two Amman families are recorded. A brief resume of the

information given there follows:

Uli Amman, a tailor Married at Erlenbach.
Trina (Catherina) Platter

She died February 8, 1618

Children:

Vreni. Baptized July 29, 1610 Elsi. Baptized February 28, 1613 (Twins) Born and died March 25, 1614 Michell. Baptized August 18, 1615 Jacob. Baptized October 12, 1617

Michell Amman, son of Uli Amman and Trina Plater. Anna Ruppen. Baptized March 6, 1614. Daughter of Clauwi (Cleophas) Ruppen of Erlenbach and Christina Hari. Married at Erlenbach March 5, 1638.

Children:

Madlena. Baptized December 16, 1638 Hans. Baptized April 24, 1642 Jacob. Baptized February 12, 1644 Catherina. Baptized March 21, 1647. Anna. Baptized March 16, 1651

It is possible that our subject is the Jacob Amman who was baptized in 1644, but not probable since he was called a "young fellow" in a letter written by Hans Reist. It is also possible that he was a son or grandson of Jacob Amman who was born in 1617, or the son of Hans, born 1642, or Jacob, born 1644. That our subject was born at Erlenbach is quite likely since he was certainly born before the great migrations of the 1670's. His great influence among the Oberland Anabaptist congregations would also indicate his close personal connection to the area. If his parents were Anabaptists at the time of his birth he would not have been baptized as an infant, hence he would not have been recorded in the baptismal record.

Ulrich Ammann was another leading character in the Jacob Amman-Hans Reist controversy. Gascho suggests that Ulrich and Jacob were possibly brothers. In a list of Anabaptists living in the Principality of Neuchatel in 1733 some facts are given about one Ulrich Ammann. He was born in 1661 at Oberhofen near Thun in the Republic of Bern, this being also his place of citizenship. Because of persecution he fled to the Principality of Neuchatel in 1709 settling at Bussy in the Val de Ruz for one year. He then moved to Peseux near Neuchatel where he was living in 1733, the date the report was made. During the eighteenth century this section of the Principality contained several flourishing congregations of Anabaptists that held to the teachings of Jacob Amman. Most of the families originated at and migrated from the Thun and Oberland regions of Bern, the area from which their founder had come.

The indication is that there was no blood relationship

# Am Sonntag Lätare

Aus dem Evangelisches Hauspredigtbach

Die ihr bei Jesu bleibet, Deß Wort euch führt und treibet, Die ihr nicht von ihm gehet, Weil ihr sein Herz verstehet:

Was fpeist euch doch, ihr Armen? Das göttliche Erbarmen! Das fegnet ganz verborgen Auch ohne eure Sorgen.

Evang. Cap. 6 v. 1-27.

Sier wird une ein großes Wunder erzählt: mit fünf Gerstenbroden und zwei Fischen speist Jesus bei fünftausend Mann, und es bleiben noch zwölf Rörbe mit Broden übrig. — Doch ift dem Heiland diese wunderbare Speifung nicht das wichtigste, sondern daß dieses Volk auch geiftlich sich speisen laffe, das liegt ihm am Serzen. Aus Mitleid mit den Hungernden hat er fein Wunder verrichtet; es ist daffelbe Mitleid mit einem andern Mangel bei ihnen, daffelbe Erbarmen, aber über ihren Seelenzustand, daß er sie ermahnt: Wirket Speife, nicht die vergänglich ift, sondern die da bleibet in das emige Leben! Sie wollen kommen und ihn hafchen, daß fie ihn zum König machten, weil er ihnen Brod gegeben und fie gefattigt hatte. Das ift ihm leid und thut ihm weh, daß sie es so irdisch meinten; denn ob er wohl für ihre irdischen Bedürfniffe geforgt hat, so follte doch dieses nicht das höchste sein, sondern das Brod des Mundes, welches er ihnen fowunderbargereicht, follte sie vielmehr nach dem himmelsbrod für ihre Seele begierig machen, welches er ihnen geben wollte.

Fürwahr, Alles was Gott uns Menschen an irdischen und leiblichen Wohlthaten zukommen läßt, hat seinen letten Endzweck nicht in diesem Erdenleben, das vergeht, sondern ist immer bezogen auf das ewige Leben, zu welchem wir berusen sind; und daraus folgt, daß wir auch im Essen und Trinken menschenlich b. h. unserer Bestimmung als Menschen gemäß, als vernunstbegabte, für ein höheres Leben geschaffene Wesen und zu verhalten haben. Wenn wir unsre evangelische Erzählung genau ansehen, so sinden wir auch in derselben hierüber mehr als einen wohl zu beherzigenden Wink, und können lernen beim Empfangen der irdischen Speise zugleich Speise, die nicht vergänglich ist, zu wirsen. Hierauf sei denn jest unser Nachdenken gerichtet, indem wir uns vorhalten.

Unfere Pflicht, auch die leibliche Nahrung mit einem geiftlichen Sinn zu genießen, wobei wir nach Anleitung des Evangeliums unfer Augenmerf auf die drei Punkte richten, 1) was diesem Genuß vorangeht, 2) was ihn begleitet, 3) was ihm nachfolgt.

Herr, unser Gott! aller Augen warten auf dich und du gibst ihnen ihre Speise zu seiner Zeit; du thust deine Hand auf und erfüllest Alles, was da lebet, mit Wohlgefallen! Uns aber haft du Augen gegeben, die deine milbe Hand sehen können und einen Geist, der dich

erkennen kann als den Bater des Lickts, von dem alle gute Gabe kommt. Erleuchte unfern Geift und öffne uns die Augen, damit wir im festen Bertrauen auf dich warten und mit Danksagung empfangen, was du uns bescherest, auf daß, wir effen nun oder trinken und was wir thun, wir es Alles thun zu beiner Ehre. Amen.

I. Dem Genuß der leiblichen Nahrung geht voraus die Sorge um diefe Nahrung, und daß er unter Chriften schon hiebei geistlich zugehen soll, das hat uns Jesus mit deutlichen Worten gefagt, da er sprickt: ihr follt nicht forgen und fagen, was werden wir effen? was werden wir trinken? womit werden wir uns kleiden? Nach solchem Allem tracten die Heiden, denn euer himmlischer Vater weiß, daß ihr deß Alles bedürfet. Ja, Geliebte, unfer himmlischer Vater weiß Alles, was wir bedürfen, und der Gott, der die Bögel unter dem Himmel nährt und die Lilien auf dem Felde kleidet, sollte der das nicht vielmehr uns thun, die wir viel mehr sind denn die Lilien und die Bögel? In Wahrheit, unfer himmlischer Bater forgt für uns lange vor unfrem Sorgen und forgt für uns weit über unser Sorgen. Bitten und Verstehen. Ehe er den Menschen fouf, hat er die Erde mit Pflanzen bedeckt, die ihn nähren, mit Thieren bevölkert, die ihm dienen, hat diefe Erde dem Menschen zum Wohnplat eingerichtet, ebe der Mensch einen Athem hatte, sowie eine Mutter forgt für ihr Kind, ehe es zur Welt geboren ift, und richtet ihm seine Lagerstätte zu und bereitet die Gewänder, darein es gehüllt wird.

In unfrem Evangelium steht diese voraussorgende göttliche Liebe hellleuchtend vor unfern Augen. Jesus hebt seine Augen auf und steht das viele Volf, das zu ihm fommt, und spricht zu Philippo: wo kaufen wir Brod, daß diese effen? Also, ehe das Volf felbst nach Brod ruft, ehe die Jünger sich darüber Sorge machen, hat Jesus schon geforgt. Sehet fein Auge voll Erbarmen, sein mitleid= volles Herz! Und dieses Auge wacht im Himmel, diese Barmherzigkeit thronet zur rechten Hand der Kraft. Darum, ehe wir felbst sorgen, ist schon für uns geforgt, ehe wir fragen: wo taufen wir Brod? ift diese Frage schon im Himmel gestellt und beantwortet. Darauf verlasset euch und seid nicht kleingläubig, beschweret eure Herzen nicht mit Sorgen der Nahrung, wie die Heiden, sondern als Chriften vertrauet eurem himmlischen Vater, der weiß, was ihr bedürfet, werfet alle eure Sorgen auf den Herrn, er forget für euch!

Er forget vor eurem Sorgen und über euer Sorgen, mehr als ihrs verstehet. Bemerket wie Philippus und Andreas rechnen. Der eine, Philippus, überschlagt, wie groß der Bedarf sei; zweihundert Pfennige werth Brods ist nicht genug unter sie, daß ein jeglicher unter ihnen ein wenig nehme; der andere, Andreas, hält dagegen, wie klein der Borrath sei: Fünf Gerstenbrode und zween Fische; aber was ist das unter so viele? Und Jesus — heißt das Bolk sich lagern, nimmt die Brode und die Fische, dankt und gibt sie zur Bertheilung, und alles Bolk wird satt. Das ist ein großes Allmachtswunder seiner sorgenden Liebe, ein Wunder aber, das, obwohl auf andere Art und Weise, die allmächtige Güte des Herrn alle Jahre verrichtet, indem sie schafft, daß das Saatkorn

auf dem Felde dreißigfältig, sechzigfältig, hundertfältig Frucht bringt und daß der Landmann sein Korn, das er auf dem Rücken in einem Säcklein hinaus auf das Feld getragen hat, auf hochbeladenem Erntewagen heimführen darf; denn das ist auch ein Wunder, nur daß wirs weniger dafür erkenne, weil es regelmäßig sich wiederholt, daher wir es natürsich heißen und ist doch in Wahrheit übernatürlich und nicht zu begreisen, wie es soll möglich sein; denn dem Körnlein sieht mans nicht an, warum es sich so verviel iltigt, und der Acker, in dessen Furcken dieses Geheimniß sich entwickelt, sagts uns auch nicht. Also stehen wir vor einem Wunder, so oft wir ein Fruchtseld ansehen und haben ein Zeichen der allmächtigen. Güte Gottes in der Hand, so oft wir ein Brod in die Hand nehmen.

Es können aber fromme Christen, die arm sind und schon durch schwere Zeiten hindurchgehen mußten, noch von andern Wundern sagen; wie sie selbst nemlich auch schon gerechnet und nach ihrer Rechnung bei kleinem. Borrath und großem Bedarf herausgebracht haben, daß es unmöglich reichen könne und doch hat es gereicht; sie haben gefragt mit Audreas: was ist das unter so Viele? und sind doch satt geworden, und sind doch mit den Thrigen durch Theurung und Noth hindurchgesommen, daß es ihnen selbst hernach unbegreislich und ein Wunder ist und sie nichts können, als staunen und danken. Davon weiß das Lied so schön zu singen:

Wenn wir von Tag zu Tagen Die Rothburft überschlagen, Und' rechnen dann die Menge, So find wir im Gedränge. Doch wenn wir mit Bertrauen Thm auf die Hände schauen, So nähret allerwegen Uns ein geheimer Segen. Wie dieses mag geschehen, Das kann man nicht verstehen; Allein man sieht am Ende: Es ging durch Gottes Hände.

Ja, Geliebte, es ging durch Gottes Hände, und auf diese Hände wollen wir schauen und dem barmherzigen Herzen im Himmel vertrauen und uns hüten vor einem ungeistlichen Sorgen und Rechnen und sestiglich glauben, daß ehe wir selbst fragen, wo kausen wir Brod? so ist schon im Himmel für uns gefragt und geantwortet, denn wir stehen in der Vorsorge einer allmächtigen Güte, die thun kann und thur über unser Vitten und Verstehen, die mit ihren Wundern das kleingläubige Rechnen beschämt, das gläubige Vertrauen rechtsertigt und übertrifft.

II. Dieses gläubige Vertrauen, welches freilich etwas ganz anderes ift, als der Leichtsinn, der in den Tag hineinlebt, ift eine heilfame Vorbereitung auf das Genießen der leiblichen Nahrung mit einem geiftlichen Sinne. Nun aber laßt uns lernen, wie dieses Genießen selbst beschaffen sein foll.

Hiebei merket zuerst, was Jesus gethan bei bem Austheilen der Speise: er nahm die Brode und dankete.

Ein Tischgebet hat er gesprocen für die füuftausend Mann, und bieses Tifchgebet ift ihnen gum Segen gediehen, daß sie Alle fatt wurden. Da fehet, daß man nicht ungebetet effen foll, und daß das Abgekommenfein des Tischaebets in einem Sause nicht aut sein kann, und daß diejenigen, die es für etwas Altväterifches halten, wenn man zum Effen betet, und wohl gar darüber fpotten, das Vorbild Jesu nicht für sich haben, sondern wider sich. Wenn es freilich als eine bloße Förmlickeit behandelt wird und man ohne alle Andacht zum Tifc betet oder vielmehr plappert, so hat das wenig Werth; wiewohl ce immer noch beffer ift als gar nicht beten: denn es liegt doch noch eine Auerkennung darin, daß man dem lieben Gott die Ehre geben und seine leibliche Nahrung als ein Mensch, nicht aber wie die unvernünfigen Thiere, die den Kopf zur Erde hinunterhalten, wenn sie effen, zu fich nehmen will: auch kann dabei doch jedes, dem es ernst ift, im Herzen dankbar fein, wenn auch die Andern zertreut und nicht dabei find mit ihren Gedanken.

Jedenfalls aber dürfen diejenigen, bei welchen es nicht reichen will, die Mangel haben und doch nicht beten wollen, fich nicht beklagen, fondern fie müffen einfehen, daß fie das Mittel verschmähen, mit deffen Hilfe Jesus bei wenig Brod viele gespeist hat. Freilich, nach menschlichem Rechnen reicht eine Speife, die ohne Dankfagung genoffen wird, gerade eben so weit als eine, über die man beter: nach menschlicher Rechnung ift ein Laib Brod in der Hand des Frommen nicht ausgiebiger als in der des Gottlofen. und es kommt dem natürlichen Verstand lächerlich vor, daß Beten zur Ernährung helfen foll. In der Wahrheit und Wirklickeit aber ift es doch so, und faget es selbst aus eurer eigenen Erfahrung, ob es nicht so ist, ob es nicht menigstens fo fic verhält, daß wer über Tifc ftreitet und fich erzurnt, von seinem Effen kein Gedeihen hat, und wer nicht genügsam ift, auch nicht fatt wird. Nun ift das Beten ein gewisses Mittel, Zank, Streit und Neid von einer Mahlzeit fern zu halter, das Tischgebet ift eine Friedenswache für die Tischgenoffen, die den böfen Feind, den Geift der Zwietracht, welcher Galle in die Speifen wirft, abwehrt; auch wird wer Gott ernstlich für die Gaben dankt, die er aus feiner milden Sand empfängt, nicht ungenügsam sein, denn Ungenügsamkeit und Dank= fagung ftimmen nicht zufammen, folglich ist das Tifchgebet auch ein Behilfe des Sinnes, der fich genügen läßt mit dem, das da ift, und wo Frieden und Genügfamkeit mit zu Tische sipen, da gedeiht den Gästen auch das einfache Effen, wo die fehlen da hilft aller Ueberfluß nicht zum fattwerden. So verhält es sich in der Wirklickfeit und ohne alles Wunder geht das zu. Aber Gottes Gute fann auch Wunder thun und fann denen, die des Morgens beim Aufftehen nichts haben, bennoch Mittags den Tifd beden, und das Seufzen der frommen Armen erhören, er tann schaffen, daß den Wittwen das Mehl im Kad und das Del im Krug nicht ausgeht und dürfen sich Alle darauf verlaffen, daß der gütige Gott ihrer nicht vergißt, noch sie überhört wenn sie zu ihm rufen. Darum tommt bas Tischgebet und die Bitte: unser täglich Brod gib uns heute! vornemlich den Armen und Bedürftigen zu gut. Es ist aber auch denen heilfam, die genug haben, damit fie ihre

leibliche Nahrung mit einem geiftlichen Sinn genießen und ihr Effen und Trinken durch Dankfagung heiligen, auch deffen eingedenk bleiben, wie es ja lauter Güte Gottes ift, daß sie keine Nahrungsforgen haben, und daß Gott wenn sie undankbar sind, sie darum furden und sie auch in solche Lagen bringen kann, da sie fühlen lernen, was Mangel heißt. Es darf ja nur Mißmachs kommen, oder Aeberschwemmungen, Feuersbrünste und derzgleichen oder der Krieg, so kommen die Nahrungsforgen an hunderte und tausende, die vorden kann eine Ahnung gehabt haben, was es ist, nichts haben und Mangel leiden. D, liebe Christen, keinen Bissen wir zum Mund führen ohne dem gütigen Gott zu danken, der uns Brod gibt und zum Brod Gesundheit und Frieden, und ohne ihn zu bitten: erhalte uns, o Herr, diese Gaben, die wir von deiner milben Sand empfangen!

deiner milden Hand empfangen! Alfo Danken, das ift das erfte beim Genuffe der leiblichen Gaben. Fürs andere laffet uns beherzigen, durch wen Jesus seine durch Danksagung geheiligte Speife austheilt. Er nahm die Brode, dankete und gab sie den Jüngern, die Jünger aber dene, die sich gelagert hatten. So ist das Brod aus der segnenden Hand Jesu in die austheilenden Hände der Jünger und von diesen in die Hände des gelagerten Volks übergegangen. Hieraus follen alle diejenigen, welche etwas haben, lernen, von wem und für wen sie es haben, damit sie nicht meinen, es fei ihr eigen und nur allein für sie da. Thr habt es freilich in eurer Hand, aber es ist die Segenshand Gottes, die es in die eurige gelegt hat, und eure Hand hat es empfangen zum Weitergeben, nicht zum Festhalten, nicht daß kein anderer Mensch davon genießen foll. Wer ein Jünger Jefu ift, der gibt weiter, was er von dem Herrn empfangen hat, der betrachtet seine Sand als eine Behilfen für die Hand ber göttlichen Güte, und der hält es gar nicht aus, daß er fic dem Wohlleben ergäbe, während Andere darben. Der Geizige, welcher ift ein Göpen= diener, der hält freilich sein Gut frampfhaft in den Händen, aber wer Gott liebt, dem öffnet die Liebe Gottes feine hand und lehrt ihn jenes Geben, das feliger ift, benn Nehmen. Der Ueppige, dem der Bauch fein Gott ift, der hält freilich keine Speife für recht, als die er selber effen kann, aber wer dem wahrhaftigen Gott dienet, und gerne dienet, dem ift es ein Labfal, Andere zu laben, und Hungernde zu fättigen wird ihm selbst zur Erquidung. So fehet denn auf eure Hände, ob sie auch geneigt und gewöhnt find, das Brod, welches der Herr ihnen übergibt, weiter zu geben und denket an jenes Wort, das einst die Gerechten zum Eingehen in das Himmelreich wird einladen: ich bin hungrig gewesen, und ihr habt mich gespeist! - Das gilt benen, die empfangen haben zum Weitergeben. Die aber das Brod empfanger, daß fie es effen, die follen auch auf die Sände fehen, von welchen fie es empfangen, und follen also die Kinder die Hand bes Baters, die Arbeiter und Dienftboten die Hände ihrer Brodherrn als folde Jüngerhände betrackten, durch welche ihnen der gütige Gott ihre seibliche Rahrung zukommen läßch, und follen die Dürftigen in der Hand deffen, der ihnen eine Unterftütung reicht, auch eine Jünger Jesuhand erkennen, damit sie nicht blos ihren Vergelts=

gott einem Menfchen zurufen, sondern dem Herrn felbst danken, der ihnen durch seine Werkzeuge Hilfe schickt, D, liebe Christen, wenn wir uns so unter einander ansehen, in welch ein schönes Verhältniß treten wir da zu einander, und wie kalt und schaal wird doch das Zusammenleben der Menschen, wenn sie von dieser Liebeskette keine Ahnung mehr haben, die aus dem Himmel herab von Hand zu Hand geht. Was bleibt da zum Zusammenhalten übrig, als die Felleln der Noth, unter welchen man seufzt und an welchen man ziert, um fie zu zersprengen? Aber ber gütige Gott will uns diese Verbindungen, in welchen Arm und Reich, herr und Knecht, Brodgeber und Brodempfänger, von der leiblichen Nothdurft getrieben, treten müffen, durch die Liebe heiligen und will die Fesseln des Bedürniffes in Blumenketten brüderlicher Treue und Hilfe verwandeln, daß wir alle in einem Ring treten Hand in Hand, und feine Segenshand ift barüber, und feine Büte geht durch den einen zum andern, und der Dank geht auf demfelben Weg zurück zu Thm, von dem alle gute Gabe tommt. So foll es in Allem fein, das wir uns unter einander geben, und wo einer vom andern etwas empfängt, und vornemlich auch bei unferm Effen und Trinken follen immer die Jüngerhände zu feben fein, damit der Herr felbst dabei erkannt werde und wir also die leiblice Nahrung mit einem geiftlichen Sinn, im Aufsehen auf ihn, in chriftlicher Eintracht genießen.

III. Zulest betrachtet auch noch, was dem Genuß nachzufolgen hat. Da sie aber fatt waren, sprach er zu feinen Jüngern: fammelt die übrigen Brocken, daß nichts umkomme. Das dürfen wir recht beherzigen. Der Mann mit der Wunermacht, die Taufende nährt, denkt an die Broden, die übrig bleiben, er, der Brod schaffen kann die Fülle, will auch nicht ein Krummden Brod umfommen laffen. Das follte man in jeder Haushaltung fich merten als eine wichtige Tifc und Rüchenregel, die aber wahrlich mit der höhern Regel der Dankbarkeit gegen Gott und mit dem höchsten Gebot, dem Gebot der Rächstenliebe, aufs engste verbunder ist. Manchmal könnten ja mit den Brod en, die von unachtfamen Händen weggeworfen werden und verderben, Hungernde ernährt werden. So darf man mit den Gaben Gottes nicht umgehen; es ift eine Berantwortung sie zu vergeuden, und gilt hier gleich, ob es ein armes oder ein reiches Haus ift, in welchem von felbst daran und kennen den Werth deffen das übrig bleibt, und halten es zu Rath, aber in wohlhabenden Säufern wird hier oft viel gefündigt, entweder daß die Hausfrauen nicht genug Acht haber oder daß die Dienstboten meinen, es sei nicht nöthig, fo auf das Einzelne und Kleine zu fehen, die Herrschaft spüre das nicht, ja sie denken wohl gar, es sei eine Schande häuslich zu fein. Aber häuslich fein ift teine Schande, nur geizig fein ift eine. Beiz ift eine Sunde in jedem Haus, Häualickeit ist Pflickt in jeder Familie, und wenn der Herr, der mit feiner Wundermacht Brod fcafft, nichts umkommen läßt, wie dürfen wir, die wir von ihm das Brod empfangen, es verderben laffen? Alfo gewöhnt euch baran, die Broden zu fammeln und schreibets euch mit großen Buchstaben an die Thüre: daß nichts umkomme!

Freilich, oft bleibt auch nichts übrig, und kommt doch um, oder ift schon umgekommen, nemlich wo man satt ist und

fährt dennom jort zu effen und zu trinken, wo man im Uebermaaß Speis und trank zu sich nimmt, und also Speis und Trank, die edle Gottesgave, muthwillig verderbt zum Schaden der Gefundheit und zur Befdwerung bes Bergens. Denn aus foldem Siduber= fülten mit Speife, aus diesem müften Trinken, bazu leiber Gottes bei Vielen der Sonntag am allermeisten in den Bergen, bofe Begierden, Jorn und Sager, Unfug aller Art, dazu mangel und Aeberdruß, und mas bleibt übrig den Dürftigen zu geben, wenn man fo unmäßig und unmenfolich ift und trinft, daß ein Einziger zu fich nimmt, wovon Zehn genug haben fonnten? Das ist eine häßliche Sache und eine Sunde vor Gott und den Menfchen. Dazu läßt Gott nicht Korn und Gerfte und den Wein machfen. daß der Mensch durch übermäßigen Genuß sich zum Thier erniedrige, fondern daß er sich mit diesen Gottesgaber erquiden und gur Arbeit ftarten foll; nicht gut Beförderung des Aebermuths, fondern zum vernünftigen Gebrauch mit demüthigem Dank fegnet die Sand der allmächtigen Güte uns Trank und Speife, und Gott legt fie unfre Sande jum Gedeihen, aber nicht jum Umkommen; wers aber auf folde Art umkommen läßt. ber muß endlich felbst umkommen, denn die Sunde der Böllerei wird ihm zum Berderben. Davon hüte fich, wer ein Chrift ift, wer als ein vernünftiger Menfo menfolio leben will. Alfo sammlet das Alebrige! sorget daß etwas übrig bleibe und vergeudet nicht die Baben, die ihr von ber milden Sand Gottes empfangen habt!

Ja, Geliebte, mit einem geiftlichen Sinne die leibliche Nahrung zu genießen, und also beim Empfamger der irdischen Speise zugleich Speise, die nicht vergänglich ist, zu wirken, das ist unsre Pflicht und wird uns zum Segen. Deffen lasset uns eingedenk sein, so oft wir essen und trinken, damit wir uns nicht versündigen, sondern unserm Gott die Ehre geben, dem Gott, der mit ewiger Batertreue für uns sorgt, der vom Himmel seinen Wundersegen auf die Erde sendet, daß von der Erde gen Himmel sein Lob steige aus dem Munde derer, die er gesättiget hat mit Wohlgefallen. Amen.



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between Jacob Amman and Ulrich Ammann. The family of Amman in its various spellings is native to numerous communes in Bern.

Further research, it is hoped, will reveal data to illumine more the background and history of Jacob Amman and the other leading participants in the Amman-Reist schism.

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# TO RECALL A FEW MEMORIES OF THE PAST

THE SPEICHER-SPYKER-SPICHER FAMILY

CONTINUED FROM LAST MONTH

The next child of Daniel and Susan (Speicher) Kurtz is (175) Daniel D. Kurtz (162) born 1898 married to Maryann Yoder, daughter of

John Yoder, Maryann married her second husband,

Levi J. N. Miller.

The next is (176) Maryann Kurtz (162) born 1901 married to Noah S. Yoder, son of Simeon and Gertrude (Frey) Yoder, their children are mostly affliated with the more liberal churches of Plain City, Ohio.

The next child of Christian and Christena (Miller) Speicher of family number 144 is (177) Amanda Speicher (144) born 1865, died 1953 married to Valentine Erb, son of Michael and Dena (Hershberger) Erb of Millersburg, Ohio. They had six children. The oldest:

(178) John V. Erb (177) married to Katie M. Miller, Holmes County, Ohio.

(179) Albert Erb (177) married Sarah Miller.

(180) Malinda Erb (177) married to Meno (Weaver) Troyer, Holmes County, Ohio.

(181) Emma Erb (177) married to Abe J. Mast, son of Joni N. and Amand (Yoder) Mast, Holmes County, Ohio

(182) Susan Erb (177) born 1903 married to Daniel E. Raber, son of Enos and Sarah J. (Mast) Raber. A daughter Mary D. Raber married to Monroe M. Yoder who was ordained a minister at Sugarcreek, Oho in 1969.

(183) Lizzie Erb (177) born 1906 married to Valentine N. Raber son of Noah J. and Magdalena (Miller) Raber. Their children were:

(184) Albert V. Raber (183) married to Verna Mast.

(185) Emma Raber (183) married to Dan J. Byler, son of John D. and Bena R. Byler, Dan was ordained a minister at New Wilmington, Pennsylvania in 1974 where they live.

(186) Noah V. Raber (183) married Vincent Lauvray.

(187) John V. Raber (183) married to Erma Erb, daughter of Abe and Elizabeth (Coblentz) Erb, Wilmont, Ohio.

(188) Levi V. Raber (183) married Katie Yoder, Millersburg, Ohio.

(189) Amanda V. Raber (183) married to Andy Mast, they are living at New Wilmington, Pennsylvania.

(190) Mattie Raber (183) married to Jacob J. Yoder, Millersburg, Ohio.

(191) Malinda Raber (183) married to Alvin Miller, Millersburg, Ohio.

(192) Lizzieann Raber (183) married to John Raber Jr., Millersburg, Ohio.

(193) Henry V. Raber (183) married to Erma J. Yoder, daughter of Joe D. and Susie (Mast) Yoder, Baltic, Ohio.

The youngest child of John C. and Christena (Miller) Speicher was (194) Lydia Speicher (144) born October 27, 1867, died 1920, married to David C. Troyer of North Canton, Ohio born April 3, 1870, died 1923, son of Christian D. and Catherine (Beachy) Troyer, they were the parents of thirteen children of which three died in infancy.

In 1905 David C. Troyers moved from Geauga County, Ohio to Stark County, Ohio and were the first Amish to settle in that vicinity and was ordained a minister in 1913.

The oldest (195) Etta Troyer (194) born 1890 married to Enos Sommers, son of Menno and Sarah (Hostetler) Sommers of Uniontown, Ohio. Their oldest daughter, (196) Amanda Sommers (195) married to Moses Coblentz and they have a son Roman Coblentz, at Guthrie, Kentucky, and a son Elmer Coblentz, at Dover, Delaware. (197) Lydian Sommers (195) married

to Jerry J. Weaver of Middlefield, Ohio.

(198) Emma Troyer (194) born 1891 married to David E. Yutzy, son of Eli R. and Mary (Miller) Yutzy. He married second to Maryann Coblentz and third to Sarah M. Troyer. Their oldest son, John D. Yutzy, married to Katie Helmuth, daughter of Alvin and Lizzie (Frey) Helmuth. John D. Yutzy moved with his family from Plain City, Ohio to Vilonier, Arkansas on November 22, 1960 and in 1964 to Fairbanks, Iowa, where he was ordained a minister in 1969. But now since 1976 they moved McRae, Arkansas, most of their married children are living in Iowa.

(199) Ada Yutzy (198) married Oliver E. Miller of

Plain City, Ohio.

(200) Raymond Yutzy (198) married to Lena Beachy, daughter of Sam C. and Katie (Miller) Beachy of Jamesport, Missouri. (201) Rosemary Yutzy (198) married to Lewis Kauffman also of Jamesport, Missouri.

The next child of David C. and Lydia (Speicher) Troyer is (202) Noah Troyer (194 married to Lizzie Hostetler. Their are no surviving children from this

(203) Andrew D. Troyer (194) born 1894 married to Ada Miller and lived in the vicinity of Sugarcreek, Ohio. Ada married her second husband, Pete Miller and her third husband, Eli V. Hershberger. We will mention a few of their children:

(204) Joni A. Troyer (203) married to Sarah Mullet of Sugarcreek, Ohio.

(205) Elizabeth Troyer (203) married to Christian S. Miller. They moved to Ashland County, Ohio where he was ordained a minister in 1967.

(206) Dorothy Troyer (203) married to Reuben R. Byler son of Reuben J. and Fannie Byler of Middlefield, Ohio.

(207) Noah Troyer (203) married to Emma Miller, Dundee, Ohio.

The next child of David C. and Lydia (Speiche) Troyer is (208) Christian D. Troyer (194) born 1896 married to Katie Sommers, daughter of Menno and Sarah (Hostetler) Sommers, Christian married his second wife Judith Hostetler, there were eighteen children from these two marriages. Some living in Holmes County, Ohio. Menno Troyer and Eli M. Troyer are married to Barbara E. Byler and Mary E. Byler and are living in Lawrence County, Pennsylvania. Sarah C.

Troyer married to Mahlon Byler and are living at Fredonia, Pennsylvania. John C. Troyer married to Anna Schrock, are living in Mercer County, Pennsylvania. Lucy Troyer married to Eli J. Byler, Ashland, Ohio. Ben C. Troyer married to Mattie Schrock and Judith Troyer married to Herman Hostetler, Lawrenceburg, Tennessee and Fannie Troyer married to Floyd Beachy, Mt. Victory, Ohio.

The next child of David C. and Lydia (Speicher) Troyer is (209) David Troyer (194) born 1897, married to Katieann Sommers, daughter of Manasses and Gertrude (Hostetler) Sommers, most of their children are in Holmes County, Ohio. Most of these are affiliated with the more liberal churches except Alta D. Troyer married to Mose J. Schlabach who lives in Conneautville, Pennsylvania.

Next of David C. and Lydia (Speicher) Troyer children is (210) Abe D. Troyer (194) born 1899 married to Lucinda Sommers, daughter of Manasses and Gertrude (Hostetler) Sommers. Abe was ordained minister in 1925 and bishop in 1935. They are living at Ashland, Ohio and have a family of twelve children. This family is mostly in Holmes County, Ohio and a few in Geauga County, Ohio although Manas Troyer married Amanda Shetler was ordained a minister in 1965, at Centerville, Pennsylvania.

Another child of David C. and Lydia (Speicher) Troyer is (211) Susanna D. Troyer (194) born 1901 married to Andy S. Miller, son of Simon P. and Nancy (Detweiler) Miller. Andy was ordained a deacon at Burton, Ohio in 1936. Their oldest son, Alvin Miller married to Lizzian Hershberger, was ordained at the same place in 1953. Another son Gideon A. Miller was ordained minister at Cashton, Wisconsin in 1970, there are several more of this family living in Wisconsin.

The youngest of this family is (212) Mose Troyer (194) married to Katie Hostetler, daughter of John and Lucy (Troyer) Hostetler. This family is widely scattered throughout the states and are affiliated with the Mennonite and the more liberal churches.

Next of the list of children of Christian and Christena (Mishler) Speicher is (213) Anna Speicher (141) born about 1770, very likely in Berks County, Pennsylvaina and married to John Sutzman, son of Christian and Barbara (Hochstetler) Stutzman of Upper Bern Township, Berks County. We have no date of their births but on September 10, 1833 John Stutzman died from a broken neck, which occurred while riding a gallopping horse that stumbled, throwing him against a tree from which he was killed instantly. This happened in Somerset County. Then on April 28, 1834 his son-in-law, Philip Yoder was appointed administrator of the estate. He was buried in an unmarked grave on his farm near Berlin. To them were born ten surviving children

- 1. Christian Stutzman married Barbara Lehman.
- 2. David Stutzman married Catherine Schrock.
- 3. Catherine Stutzman married Daniel Eash.
- 4. Elizabeth Stutzman married Yost Yoder.
- 5. John Stutzman married Sarah Blough.
- 6. Francy Stutzman married Philip Yoder.
- 7. Henry Stutzman married Catherine Miller.
- 8. Susan Stutzman married Joseph Gashow.



intermarriages were to a number of Yoder families as well as Zook, Fisher and Esh families, who were without doubt, prolific forebearers of many present day members in the east as well as in western communities, likely scattered far and wide.

In a Lewisburg, Pa. college library, is found a diary kept by E. B. Riehl, who was a nephew of the well knokwn Bishop Elias Riehl, Buffalo valley, Union Co. Pa. Besides his diary is kept a list of proposed subscriptions to a Riehl family history that appearantly never developed. On this list are names of close family kin, which reveals a large field of cousins. Among those are names as Mast, Nafzinger, Beiler, Yoder, Fisher, Zook, Bawell, Smoker, Hertzler, Kauffman, Stoltzfus, Lantz, Ebersol, King, Peachy, Schrock, Harshberger, Gerber, and Kurtz, as well as a number of none Amish names. This list gives a reader an idea of the vast widespread of Riehl kin in Union, Mifflin, Huntington, and Lancaster Counties, Penna. besides Longreen, Maryland and addresses of other points as Denbigh. Warwick County, Virginia, Hutchinson, Kansas, Atglen, Pennsylvania, Latour, Cuss County, Missouri, Topeka, Indiana Dougherty, Iowa, already in the 1880's.

While we do not wish to go in details of the Buffalo Valley church at this time, it may be known to many readers of unfortunate circumstanzed that occured there in the last half of the nineteenth century. While Lewis Riehl was the bishop there, complete harmony did not exist in the ministry. Bishop Riehl was more progressive in both material gains and church Disciple than could be accepted by others, of more conservative opinion, the church severed in the 1880s. On a recent visit with a senior lady, who resides in the valley, recalled how she remembered of Elias Riehl coming to her folks to visit in his evening years. What she remembers most is that he lamented his late life experience saying that he once had nice kept farms for his sons. After his congregation moved away, the farms have went down to a near dilapadated state so that they are practically barren. This said Riehl, is a heartache for him to see happen. He continued that he feels that he has lost in material and spiritual strenth.

To return to the E. B. Riehl dairy, are notes of interest, especially in the sense of a turning tide concerning church affairs as well as general neighbor involvement and incidents.

#### 1883

January 1. I went to Kennels awhile, Abe Kurtzes were here.

January 3 John J. Schock was buried to day. He died of the effects of an accidental discharge of a gun.

February 5 Sallie and I went to a party with S. S. Stoltztus. Sam Allgyer was there.

February 7 Samuel Glick and John Reed visited my school. Adam Glick was also here.

March 4 we were to the Sunday School this P. M.

March 14 J. G. Schrocks had sale to day.

March 28 David Kennel and I went to the entertainment (school?). It was not a success.

April 9 I recieved a photo of Nettie Kauffman.

May 9 Abe Kurtz was here to chop wood and pick

stones

May 6 Uncle Elias Riehl was here.

June 23 I went to the town (Lewisburg) university commencement.

June 24 Fanny Kennel, Lizzie and I went to the funeral of Sammy Stoltzfus, and to Uncle E. Riehl for dinner, and to church at Salem. Riedenbach preached.

June 30 A social gathering was here at our place. Maey Lantz, Sam and Annie Riehl, Katie Mode and Rebecca Miller, Abe Kurtz, Christ and Sue Stoltzfus were here.

August 19 Aunt Lavina Riehl was here for supper. While these are only abstract of his diary, it discloses family names that were still living in the valley, as well as some that were moving away.

For more evidence of Riehl bloodties in our Current generation in Amish communities elsewhere from Lancaster Co. we can turn to the Genealogical index of Amish family histories, by Beulah Hostetler with Johns Hopkins University. This index lists 123 Riehls to interweave into about 8 compiled family histories. In considering that the Riehl family name itself has never compiled a history, the maternal line must be of great strenth in many Amish and Amish related families.

Since our immigrant, Lewis Riehl, has married a Fisher, of the same Fisher family that our main line of Fishers descend from. We should think of our Riehl kin as being as much Fisher as Riehl. The name itself is only a prefix.

## **European Records**

Before entering the European field we should perhaps add a paragraph from the work of Amos L. Fisher, 1971 Diary, page 134, as follows.

"Lewis Riehl was born somewhere in Europe in the year 1746 and died in Mifflin County, Pennsylvania May 5, 1806 aged 60 years. When about 8 years old he was stolen from his mother and brought to this country and bound over to a certain man until of age. A man by the name of Kurtz persuaded him to get on board a vessel about to sail for America and when once on board the boy in vain implored to go on shore but the vessel moved off and he was forced to remain on board and come to America. While serving his time he had very inhuman treatment not unfrequently availing himself of the beds of the swine to lie down on.

After concentrating on this legend, we hardly expect to find a great source of information, concerning the Riehl family, in Anabaptist records. After a thorough search we find nothing in our files accounting for Riehls in European Mennonite history. However there may be one exception.

Wilhelm Heinrich Riehl is given in the Mennonitiche Lexicon, vol. 3, page 506. He was born May 6, 1823 at Beibrich am Rhein, died November 16, 1897 at Muchen. He studied at Marburg. Tubingen and Bonn. From 1845-47, he served on the staff of a Frankfurter newspaper, Oberpostamtszeitung, from 1848-50 he was with the Karlsruher Zeitung and from 1851-53, with Ausberger Allgemeinen Zeitung. He was a german historian and while on the newspaper staff he began writing historical novels. By 1853 he had written over 50 novels. In his novels it becomes clear that he had

close contacts with the Amish and Mennonites in Germany. He father was the manager of the castle of Nassau. His grandmother Schmidt, is said to be related to Mennonites there. At least on one occasion Wilhelm visited Johannes Molenaar, a Mennonite minister. Likely he learned to know the Amish and/or Mennonites in his boyhood days because he grew up in such a community. Much of his writing is attracted to peasant Mennonite life, which is quite uncommon for a professional writer of his day. His later novels concentrate a good deal on Anabaptist history. Elizebeth Bender, Menn. Encyclopedia, vol. 4, page

Now while the above legend ends the search for me come and European Mennonite background of the Riehl immigrant, it does not however, answer all the questions. A legend is never 100% positive. Many have distorted angles. Another story goes on that after he left the ship in Philadelphia he followed as Amishman on the street by the name of Zook, because he thought he resembled someone he knew. It is quite likely that he, like the former paragraph Riehl family, lived in an Amish community and had learned to know them. However the argument against that theory remains that children that could not pay for the voyage were not released from board until someone held security for them. On the European side a subject appears by the name of Kurtz, which was a common Amish name in the region where he lived. Certain elements in story appear, that it may be reasoned to be more than a mere coincidence that the lad was received by Zook. However it is believed that it was in the Zook home that he became adopt to the Amish church. If he was born in 1746 and came to America 8 years later or in 1754 the Zug families were all living in Berks County at that date. The Christian Fisher family also lived in Berks County at an average marriage date for his age, although a later marriage is possible. Many inquisitions may never be answered, or need to be answered. Appearantly the story is not fully developed and needs more study.

There is also a legend that Christian Zook returned to European, some say for a second marriage partner, some say to bring with him a needed church leader and more brethren. His second coming to America, date, is not known because he didn't need to register at Phila. the second time. However his return trip may well fall between 1746 and 1754, contacts with our Riehl lad, in

Europe or enroute are not emprobable.

Conrad Reel-Ruhl- Rihl is listed on Bern twp., Berks Co. tax returns as early as 1754, or before. No research has been done on this family since it was ignored, in mind that our Riehl family begins with Ludwig or Lewis as a lad. It is not known to this column exactly where this homestead was, but possibly in the heart of the Northkill Church.

Jacob and John Reel are listed, from 1760-68, on tax returns, both in Heidelberg twp. Berks Co. They may have been brothers as both are listed, single, in 1760.

George Riehl is listed in Tulpehoccin twp. Berks Cc. in 1754. No more is known of the Riehls is Berks Co. They were likely of german reformed stock. No major conclusions can be added or outruled, concerning our Riehl ancestory In America. But here we have too much evidence to believe that our Riehl ancestory all begins in the Chester valley settlement. Second generation studies make it clear that the Riehl family lived in Chester Co. and abode with the Amish Church there, perhap in their prime of life. The majority of the clan has later moved to Mifflin Co. and most, if not all of the Amish Riehls were removed to Union Co.

A neat genealogical form of the Riehl family is given in 1971, page 134 and 1972, page 52 Diary articles by Amos L. Fisher. The article is so complete that a need to repeat it is not seen. Back issues are avaiable at all



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9. Benjamin Stutzman married Polly Ann Lehman.

The oldest of this family being (214) Christian Stutzman (213) born March 7, 1789, in Somerset County, Pennsylvania died in 1836 just three years after his father had died, married 1811 to Barbara Lehman who was born in 1791. Their children born in Somerset County were:

- 1. Susan Stutzman born 1812, died Dec. 1815.
- 2. Polly born Feb. 21, 1814, died Dec. 15, 1815.
- 3. Jacob Stutzman married Fanny Lehman.
- 4. Abraham Stutzman married Polly Schrock.
- 5. Daniel Stutzman born Oct. 23, 1818, died 1830.
- 6. Christian Stutzman born April 19, 1820, died in Hubbard Oregon.
- 7. Elizabeth Stutzman married George Johnson.
- 8. Magdalena Stutzman born April 6, 1822, died April 8, 1822.

The above mentioned Jacob Stutzman (214) was born near Berlin in Somerset County, on June 11, 1815, married to Fanny Lehman, born May 10, 1815, died 1890. They were both born in Somerset County, Pennsylvania and died in Indiana, where they moved and were probably one of the first Amish settlers of LaGrange - Elkhart Counties. To them were born eight

- 1. Samuel J. Stutzman born 1838 married to Betsy Hostetler, no children were born to this union. They lived at Hubbard, Oregon.
- 2. Joseph Stutzman married to Rachel Yoder.
- 3. Moses J. Stutzman married Catherine Yoder.
- 4. Jacob J. Stutzman married Elizabeth Keim.
- 5. Elizabeth Stutzman married Yost Lehman.
- 6. Barbara Stutzman married Joseph E. Mast.
- 7. Magdalena Stutzman married Elias Mast.
- 8. Herman Stutzman married Gertrude A. Bontrager.

(216) Joseph Stutzman (215) born 1839, died 1915, married Rachel Yoder, born 1840 in Somerset County, died near Middlebury, Indiana in 1915, daughter of David C. and Susan (Miller) Yoder of Somerset County. Joseph Stutzman and his family moved from Somerset County to Elkhart County, Indiana in 1866 and on May 1, 1878 he was ordained a deacon of the place. They are buried on the farm where they lived.

# Our Fatherland in America

The Riehl Family



Another family name that is not so widely known in Old Order districts of America. In fact it is likely that the name is not known in many or most Amish

settlements since they are confined mainly to Lancaster Co. Pa. However a few may now be living in outgrowth counties in Pa. from Lancaster Co. very few if any Old

Order Riehls are to be found beyond that area.

With the assumption that our early Riehls have sub-settled in Mifflin Co., Pa., we would expect to find at least a few families there to day as well as in other communities westward, which was the general trend. Those who remained in Miffin and Union Counties, appearantly joined higher levels of mennonite branches early as well as those who settled westward.

Although Riehl families never became numerous or dominant in any district or neighborhood in Lancaster Co., compared to other family names there, they are however not among the least in number. According to the Lancaster Co. directory, (1973) they will fall in a minority category and rank next to the Smucker, Smoker families, with the Petersheims following, with whom they are close in kin. Raber's Almanac lists 4 Riehls among the ministry, two of them are bishops.

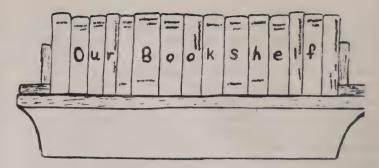
The progeny of an immigrant settler can never be

measured by the paternal line alone.

Often the maternal lines are more extensive and interesting. We note that from the work of Amos L. Fisher, (see 1972 Diary, page 52) that early Riehl

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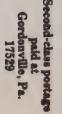
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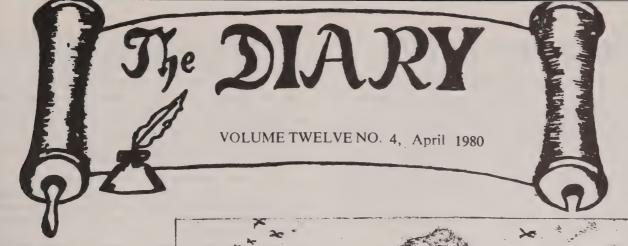
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Er sendet Tau und Regen Und Sonn und Mondenschein Und wickelt seinen Segen Gar zart und fünstlich ein Und bringt ihn dann behende In unser Feld und Brot: Es geht durch unfre Hände.

Kommt aber her von Gott. Alle aute Gabe usw.

Was nah ift und was ferne, Von Gott kommt alles ber. Der Strobhalm und die Sterne. Das Sandforn und das Meer. Bon ihm find Busch und Blätter Und Korn und Obst. von ihm Das schöne Frühlingswetter Und Sonee und Ungestüm Alle aute Gabe usw.

Er läßt die Sonn aufgehen, Er stellt des Mondes Lauf. Er läßt die Winde weben Und tut die Wolken auf. Er schenkt uns so viel Freude, Er macht uns frisch und rot, Er gibt dem Vieh die Weide Und seinen Menschen Brot. Alle gute Gabe usw.

# **COMMUNITY NOTES**

## Norwich, Ontario - Child dies in Ohio

Mahlon, 2 month old son of Gideon L. Millers, #1 Norwich, Ontario, Canada, died unexpectedly on April 19 in Wayne County, Ohio. His parents had been spending the night at her grandmother's place after attending a funeral in that area the day before. Mrs. Miller had been up to look after another child at 4 o'clock, and saw the baby was sweating, so she pushed the cover further down not realizing anything was wrong. When they got up they didn't want to disturb the baby as they thought it's sleeping soundly after being very restless the day before. After breakfast she wanted to get the baby to go visiting when she discovered life had fled. The doctor blamed death due to pneumonia The body was brought home for funeral services and burial. See obit.

#### Kinzer, Pennsylvania - Girl Drowns in Water Trough

A 17-month-old girl accidentally drowned Sunday evening, April 13 in a water trough on the family farm. The girl, Mary S. Stoltzfoos, was reported missing between 5:45 and 6:15 p.m. until her father found her in the trough. Attendants with the Lancaster Osteopathic Hospital ambulance could not revive her. See obituary

#### Kalona, Iowa - Woman dies after Operation

Lizzie J., wife of Noah Miller had her leg amputated, following a series of sores that did not heal. She died the next morning at the age of 77. See obituary.

#### Willow Hill, Pa. - Mother dies at Childbed

Emma Kanaga, 40, died at Lewistown Hospital from infections after giving birth to a stillborn son. She was viewed at her late home with the child in her arm. (See obituary)

#### Smicksburg, Pa. - Man hit by falling tree

Allen E. Schlabach was seriously injured while working in the woods. He was working for another man who was hauling wood away while he cut trees. When he returned he found Schlabach lying unconscious on the ground. Appearantly a tree he had cut, caught on a wild vine and threw the tree on another tree where a broken limb struck Allen. He was first taken to Pungutawney and later to Greensburg where he recieved surgery of the brain.

## Fredericksburg, Ohio - Girl Trampled by a Horse

Roseanna J. Miller, 13, was trampled by a horse crushing part of her liver, causing her to bleed internally. She was first admitted to the Millersburg Hospital and was later transferred to Aultman Hospital at Canton. She received bloo d transfusion on the way to

The children of Jonas A. Miller (her parents) were riding horses with other neighborhood children. One hores threw Roseanna off and stepped on her.

#### Marshfield, Missouri - Fire Scare

Alvin Grabers had a fire scare Sunday evening. They were out choring when Alvin noticed smoke coming from the attic. The ceiling around the stainless steel chimney was burning. They were unaware that it was chimney for oil burning. A stainless steel chimney for woodburning has been installed this week. The two children were in the house not knowing the danger they were in. Alvins soon had the fire under control with only minor damage.

#### Daviess County, Indiana - House Fire

The house of Alva L. Knepps was destroyed by fire the morning of April 10, when the stem of the gas lamp came out while trying to light it. They lost all their household except a few blankets they got off the bed, they got out with only their night clothes on, as it was so quick and was soon all in flames. They are living in a small trailer. They have been working on the new house and is under roof.

## **Community Note**

Mrs. Eliza Wagler, 89, was in the hospital, had surgery for a big gall stone, was very sick with gangrene as the gall bladder was ruptured. She is home from the hospital and improving.

#### Strasburg, Pennsylvania - Man had Horse-buggy Mishap

Eli Ebersol had a mishap Saturday while going north on Rt. 896. The shafts came loose and the horse started to run. He couldn't

hold the horse and turned in at the bowling alley. The wagon rolled over two times with Eli inside, then the shafts came loose from the wagon and the horse went home with the shafts.

#### Mt. Eaton, Ohio - Buggy-truck Accident

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Mullet of Fredericksburg #2 were riding in a buggy on Rt. 241 on April 23, when a coal truck hit them from the rear, throwing Mrs. Mullet out on the pavement but broke no bones. Melvin was still in the buggy but broke about half of his ribs, 1 arm, punctured his lungs and other injuries. He was in intensive care 8 days. He is slowly improving.

#### Fredericksburg, Ohio - Horse-buggy Accident

Eli A. Troyers' boys had a scare when there horse took off. It upset the buggy and dragged it 30 feet. He tore loose and ran into Eli D. Hershberger's mailbox. He got caught on the post with the harness. No one was hurt.

## Shipshewana, Indiana - Woman meets Accident in a Buggy Drive

Mrs. Milt (Anna) Lambright and Mrs. Dan (Clara) Miller went to Shipshewana on Saturday and met with an accident when their horse shied about a plastic beside the road and went for the ditch, turning the buggy over and throwing them out. Anna has a broken collar bone, a broken pelvic bone and a gash in her head. She is in a Ft. Wayne Hospital. Clara escaped injuries.

#### Homer, Michigan - Boy Breaks arm while Making ice cream

Henry, 6, son of Levi Eichers had the misfortune of breaking his arm in 3 places Saturday evening while they were freezing ice cream. They had the freezer hooked up to an engine and his sleeve caught on the nail in the shaft and wrapped his arm around it. They had to take him to Ann Arbor Hospital to get it set. Henry Eichers from Camden were up to see him Tuesday evening.

#### Blountsville, Florida - Boy hurt in Bicycle Accident

March 27, Philip, 13, son of Jonas Bontragers was riding on a bicycle going home from school and seemingly turned in front of a pickup and was hit. He had a pretty bad fracture in his skull, and was unconscious for 6 days and nights. He had a few other cuts (small ones) a lot of bruises. First they said he had no other bones broken. Then later said his collar bone is also broken. He was in intensive care for 15 days.

## Napannee, Indiana - Accident

Berkholder, Steven, 13, son of Al and Ruth Ann Borkholder, was hurt in school last Wednesday while playing ball. Two of the boys were running to catch a ball, and somehow Steven got hit in the stomach by the other boys shoulder. He had quite a bit of pain, and also passed out when he tried to walk. They took him to Bremen Hospital and later on transferred him to St. Joe Hospital in Mishawaka where they found a 2 inch cut in his spleen. So he had his spleen removed. By last reports he was getting along fine.

## Ronks, Pennsylvania - Dannie Esh, meets a painful accident

Dannie, son of John and Mary Esh had a painful accident with a cow on Thursday eve. She was hobbled and he was treating her udder when the cow tried to kick and apparently fell on him. No one else was at the barn, but he arrived at the house in a state of shock with his neck bent way back. He was hospitalized until Saturday. There was no break, just badly bent, but he'll be wearing a cervical collar for awhile.

## Belle Center, Ohio - Community Note

Matthew, 5, son of Mervin Millers, fell from a load of bales last Saturday and broke his collarbone. They hit some bumps on the read and this caused them to fall. Dewayne, his brother, also fell off but wasn't hurt much.

Mrs. John Leman was rushed to the Kenton Hospital on Wednesday morning. She had a kidney stone attack. She came home on Friday and is much better.

## Lovington, Illinois - Community Note

Leona, daughter of Harley and Marietta Schlabach had the misfortune of getting her hand in the sausage grinder. Her hand was nearly cut off above the knuckles and after they had her loose from the grinder to take her to a local doctor, he sent her to Springfield, Illinois, where her hand was sewed back in place and seems to get along alright, at last reports.

## Conewango Valley, New York - Girl Scalded

Anna, daughter of John S. Hershberger, scalded herself by

sitting backwards in a canner of hot water on April 3. She is 2 years old. They were ready to wash off the house at Dan M. Millers bought. She has 2nd degree burns. She came home from the hospital, April 21st.

#### Clark, Missouri - Man hurt in saw mill accident

Harvey A. Lambright lost his left hand behind the wrist in a saw accident. A saw used for sawing pallets, it was a swinging saw. The accident ripped some of the muscle off as about 2 inches of bone was sticking out. His hand was found in his glove. He lost a let of blood and was rushed to the hospital where he remained a few days.

#### Blair, Wisconsin - Girl Suffers Deficienty Seizure

Rachel, 4 month old daughter of Alva and Malinda Bontrager was rushed to the Whitehall Hospital on April 7, when she stopped breathing, caused by what the doctor called a seizure. Later she was taken to the Lacrosse Hospital where tests were taken and they called it a calcuim deficiency causing seizures. She had a cold which they think caused phegm to choke her at the time of her seizure. She was in the hospital for 1 week. And is coming along fine.

#### Iowa City, Iowa - Community Note

The aged and feeble around us are about holding their own. Big Chris Miller, 92, was missed in Sunday School yesterday.

There was some measle scare in the community the last several weeks, but none serious that I know of. Mrs. Chris Bender is not well at all.

#### Communion

Southwest District, by Bishop Simeon Brenemen, Ashland, Ohio on April 19.

Middle East District, by Bishop Dan R. Gingerich on April 20. Middle South District, by Bishop Dan Beachy on April 20. South East District, by Bishop Dan Beachy on April 27. North West District, by Bishop Phillip Yoder on April 27. North East District, by Bishop Eli Raber on April 27.

#### Mercer, Pennsylvania - Community Note

Mrs. Fannie S. Byler, New Wilmington, Pa., is a hospital patient since April 24th with hardening of the arteries, arthritis, enlarged and leaking heart. She is unable to walk and also not much use of her arms.

Dan D. Kurtz had the misfortune of tearing his finger nail off when he was trying to catch a chicken.

#### Branch County, Michigan - Community Note

Mere of Noah N. Eichers condition and hospital stay. His seizures or muscle spasms were just at the head and face, a lot of them were also 1 and 2 minutes apart, he had close to 400 of them. These stopped Thursday at 5:15, on April 3. Then oxygen and I V was taken away. And he did not get the strong shots. On Sunday the 6th, he started with the muscle spasms in his left arm and leg. So he was again of shots. But it did not help. He did not sleep at all or very little the last 2 weeks until he peacefully fell asleep on Tuesday, April 8th. (See obituary).

## Jamesport, Missouri - Man Suffers Broken Jaw

Levi J. Yoder, #2 Jamesport, received a broken jaw and cut lip when he fell from a ladder.

## Norwich, Ontario - Community Note

Moses, 3 year old son of Levi L. Miller Jr. fell off of the overden in the barn on April 12 and broke his collarbone. He had his arm in a sling but has no cast.

John, 18, son of Jacob J. Millers is nursing a broken finger. He didn't go to the doctor right away and got infection in it. The doctor said if the infection gets in the bone he must take the end of the finger off.

#### **Community Note**

Eli, son of Abe V. Shetler got a good shaking up recently, when the horse he was riding slipped on a wet wooden bridge. He and the horse both went flying head over heels. He was pretty sore but fortunate to get by without any broken bones.

Roman Borntreger Jr. was helping make pallets in his father's shop when a nail glanced off, hitting him in the eye. The nail went through the eye lid and clear through the eyeball. Roman Jr. pulled the nail out himself. He was taken to a specialist hospital in

Jackson where they sewed the front side of his eyeball. He was brought home the next day, but a couple days later he was taken to a Memphis Hospital to have the back side sewed. He came home again but it is to be found out yet if he can see with his eye or not.

Wingham, Ontario, Canada - Community Note

On Tuesday, April 1, Levi Miller Jrs. moved from the farm of Eli Gingerichs, which they had rented onto the Albert Miller farm. Albert Millers moved to the former Mike Naylor farm, which they had purchased a year ago. Also, on April 1, Joe J. Shetler of this community brought his bride, the former Rebecca Miller of Norwich and her belongings from Norwich, where they had been since their wedding on March 6. They live in a small house near his father's sawmill where Joe works.

# **BIRTHS**

## Conewango Valley, New York

Kauffman, Jonas C. (Lydiann S. Hershberger) #1 Conewango Valley, a dau. Anna, April 22.

Miller, Joe M. (Susan J. Miller) #1 Conewango Valley, a dau. Malinda, April 25.

#### Clinton County, Pennsylvania

King, Samuel (Sylvia Ann Lapp) a dau. Sadie Mae, April 27.

#### Centre County, Pennsylvania

Beiler, Henry F. (Anna Kauffman) Madisonburg, a dau. Mary, April 22.

#### Dauphin County, Pennsylvania

Stoltzfus, Amos (Sylvia Zook) Lykens, a son Christ, April 4.

#### Lebanon County, Pennsylvania

Esh, Israel S. (Mary Lantz) #2 Myerstown, a son, April 29.

Esh, John M. (Rachel Smoker) #2 Myerstown, a dau. Lydia, Mar. 31.

Fisher, Reuben J. (Lydia Lapp) #1 Newmanstown, a dau. Esther, April 1.

Lapp, Moses G. (Sarah Zook) #1 Lebanon, a dau. Mary, April 21.

#### Path Valley, Pennsylvania

Beiler, Aaron Z. (Katie Swarey), a dau. Annie, May 1
Kanagy, Mose A. (Emma Wengerd), a stillborn

Kanagy, Mose A. (Emma Wengerd), a stillborn son, Mar. 21 Yoder, John L. (Malinda Yoder), a son Steven, Mar. 25

#### Lancaster County, Pennsylvania

**Allgyer**, Amos (Lydia Smucker) #1 Kinzers, a son **Mervin Ray**, March

Allgyer, Reuben S. (Sadie Petersheim) #2 Parkesburg, a dau. Lavina Ruth, April 8.

Beiler, Benjamin S. (Eva S. Kauffman) #3 Quarryville, a son Marcus, April 18.

Beiler, Daniel (Rachel Esh) Leola, a son Daniel, April 9.

Beiler, Samuel (Sarah Fisher) #1 Christiana, a son Enos M., April 11. Ebersol, Joseph (Hannah Beiler) #1 Gordonville, a son Jonas, April 18.

Esh, Christian G. (Malinda Esh) Gordonville, a dau. Sadie, April 1.

Esh, Reuben (Anna Mary King) #3 New Holland, a dau. Linda Sue, April 19.

Fisher, Gideon (Sadie Stoltzfoos) #3 Quarryville, a dau. Lizzie, April 11.

Fisher, John D. (Fannie Stoltzfus) #2 Ronks, a son Samuel Allan, April 10.

Kauffman, Samuel D. (Mary Stoltzfus) #1 Kinzers, a son Samuel David Jr., April 4.

King, Christ (Naomi Beiler) #1 Paradise, a son Melvin, April 19.

King, Christ S. (Anna Stoltzfus) #1 Gap, a son Sol S., April 4. King, David (Mary King) Lancaster, a son Jonathan K., April 26. King, Isaac S. (Fannie Stoltzfus) #2 Holtwood, a dau., April 30.

King, Samuel E. (Mary E. Zook) #1 New Providence, a dau. Marian, April 24.

Lapp, Benuel (Lizzie King) #1 Narvon, a dau., April 16.

Lapp, Christ K. (Anna Mary Stoltzfus) #1 Gordonville, a son John S., April 23.

Lapp, Daniel (Sara Stoltzfus) #2 Ronks, a son Aquilla R., April 17.

Lapp, David K. (Lydia Lapp) #2 New Holland, a son John, April 6. Lapp, John S. (Annie L. Fisher) #4 Quarryville, a dau. Rebecca, April 2.

Petersheim, Abram (Malinda Stoltzfus) #1 Ronks, a son Jacob, April 9.

Petersheim, Abram (Katie Beiler) #1 Bird-in-Hand, a dau, April 25.

Petersheim, Benuel L. (Rebecca E. Riehl) East Petersburg, a dau. Rachel R., April 27.

Petersheim, Moses R. (Rachel Glick) #1 Bird-in-hand, a son Monroe Lee, April 12.

Riehl, Aquilla S. (Hannah S. Stoltzfus) #1 Kirkwood, a son, April 29. Riehl, Leroy (Fannie Fisher) #2 Gap, a son Jacob Lee, April 26.

Smucker, David S. (Emma Stoltzfus) #1 East Earl, a son David S. Jr.,
April 9.

Stoltzfoos, Moses G. (Suvilla Kauffman) Ronks, a dau., March 28. Stoltzfus, Benjamin S. (Naomi S. Stoltzfus) Leola, a son **David**, April

Stoltzfus, Henry R. (Sylvia G. Blank) #1 Kirkwood, a son Stephen B., April 12.

Stoltzfus, John F. (Barbara K. Stoltzfus) #3 Lititz, a dau. Malinda S., March 19.

Stoltzfus, John K. (Lydia S. Fisher) Bird-in-Hand, a son Amos F., April 15.

Stoltzfus, Leroy (Lena Lapp) #2 New Providence, a son Ammon, April

Stoltzfus, Reuben (Rebecca Stoltzfus) #1 Honey Brook, a son, April

Stoltzfus, Samuel A. (Rachel King) Gordonville, a dau. Martha Sue, April 23.

Stoltzfus, Samuel K. (Malinda Zook) #1 Kirkwood, a son, April 14.

Stoltzfus, Stevie (Sara Ann Stoltzfus) Gordonville, a son Stevie Jr.,
March 9

Stoltzfus, Stevie (Arie Stoltzfus) Gordonville, a son Steven Lee, March 31.

Zook, Amos J. (Malinda Stoltzfus) #3 Quarryville, a dau., April 30.

#### Dover, Delaware

Byler, Andy R. (Lena Miller) #1 Wyoming, a son Andy, April 18.

Miller, Alvin J. (Barbara Sue Byler) #1 Hartley, a dau. Rebekah, April

Miller, Mose A. (Lydia Ann Miller) #1 Wyoming, a dau. Lydia Ann, April 8.

Schlabach, David Jr. (Lydia Byler) #1 Wyoming, a dau. Mary Ann, April 5.

St. Mary's County, Maryland

Stoltzfus, Bennie U. (Annie Hertzler) Charlotte Hall, a dau. Katie April 29.

Stoltzfus, Samuel B. (Hannah Stoltzfus) Charlotte Hall, a data Rebecca, April 15.

Stoltzfus, Samuel H. (Salina Zook) Mechanicsville, a son Benuel, April 29.

#### Juniata County, Pennsylvania

Troyer, John A. (Lydia Yoder) #2 Mifflintown, a son David, April 15.

Troyer, Roman E. (Sara Yoder) #2 Mifflintown, a son Abram, April 17.

#### Mifflin County, Pennsylvania

Byler, Samuel (Lydia Zook) Belleville, a son Jonathan, April 5. Peachey, Henry (Leah Peachey) Allensville, a son Henry, April 7. Peachey, John (Katie Peachey) Belleville, a dau. Malinda, April 26. Peachey, Noah (Sylvia Peachey) Belleville, a dau. Mary, Apr. 29. Swarey, Jonathan (Susie Kanagy) Belleville, a son Joseph, April 24.

#### Franklin County, Pennsylvania

Miller, David S. (Mary Petersheim) #1 Newburg, a son Melvin, March 14.

#### Dry Run, Pennsylvania

Hostetler, John L. (Lydia Hertzler) a dau. Mary, March 12. Yoder, John L. (Malinda Stoltzfus) Willow Hill, a son **Stephen**, March 25.

## Somerset County, Pennsylvania

Brenneman, Dan F. (Saloma Yoder) Springs, a son Earnest, April 7. Slabaugh, Ernest (Miriam P. Summy) Meyersdale, a son Marvin, Mar. 30.

#### Garrett County [Oakland], Maryland

Schrock, Calvin E. (Irene A. Bender) #1 Oakland, a dau. Rebecca Lynn, April 21.

#### Southern Mercer County, Pennsylvania

Byler, Amos D. (Maryann J. Hostetler) #5 New Castle, a son Andy, April 24.

Byler, Dan J. (Katie J. Byler) #1 New Wilmington, a son Chris, April 13.

Byler, John S. (Katie B. Yoder) #2 New Wilmington, a dau. Nancy, April 11.

Detweiler, Owen J. (Lydia J. Hostetler) #1 Volant, a dau. Mattie, April 20.

Kurtz, Andy L. (Nancy U. Byler) #2 New Wilmington, a dau. Mary, April 24.

Mast. Dan J. (Lovina Shetler) #3 Volant. a son Noah. April 15. Mast, John J. (Iva D. Byler) #3 Volant, a dau. Emma, Apr. 1.

Shetler, Mike B. (Linda Hochstetler) #2 New Wilmington, a son Stephen, April 4.

Swartzentruber, John L. (Lizzie R. Byler) #1 New Wilmington, a dau. Katie, April 5.

Troyer, Andy D. (Clara D. Mast) #2 New Wilmington, stillborn, April 8.

#### Geauga County, Ohio

Burkholder, Crist (Emma Byler) Middlefield, a son, April 3.

Byler, Alan (Karen Miller) Middlefield, a dau. Katie Mae, April 10.

Detweiler, Ben (Shirley Gingerich) Middlefield, a son, March 27.

Detweiler, Dan A. (Naomi Troyer) Middlefield, a dau. April 10.

Glick, Elmer (Kathy Miller) Middlefield, a son, April 22.

Hostetler, Jesse (Emma Miller) Middlefield, a dau. Lydiann, April 20.

Kauffman, Joe S. (Martha Mast) Middlefield, a dau. April 11.

Kempf, John Henry (Cora Miller) Middlefield, a dau. Alma, April 9.

Kuhns, Monroe (Maryann Byler) Garttsville, a dau., April 5.

Kuhns, David (Dorothy Miller) Garttsville, a son, April 12.

Mast, Dan J. (Marie Troyer) Middlefield, a son, April 17.

Miller, Chester D. (Edna Kauffman) Middlefield, a son, April 12.

Miller, David D. (Barbara Detweiler) Middlefield, a dau. Esther, March 24.

Miller, David A. D. (Marilyn) Middlefield, a son Robert, April 8.

Miller, David A. D. (Marilyn) Middlefield, a son Robert, April 8. Miller, Ervin E. C. (Maryann Miller) a dau. Roseanna, April 24.

Miller, Freeman (Martha Troyer) Burton, a dau. Ida, April 24 Miller, Freeman (Martha Troyer) Burton, a dau. Ida, April Miller, Jerry (Ida Slabauch) Middlefield, a son David, April 4.

Miller, Melvin (Sarah Miller) Middlefield, a dau. Katherine, April 21.

Miller, Mose V. (Fannie Hershberger) a dau., April 16. Stutzman, John (Erma Miller) Middlefield, a dau., March 27.

#### Wavne County, Ohio

Raber, Jacob (Betty Weaver) #1 Dundee, a dau. Ruby, April 2.
Yoder, John H. (Clara L. Troyer) Apple Creek, a dau. Ada Marie, Mar. 30.

#### Holmes County, Ohio

Barkman, David A. (Verna Nisley) Fresno, a son Ervin April 10. Hershberger, Ervin (Susan Miller) #5 Millersburg, a dau. Naomi, April 9.

Hershberger, Owen R. (Mary Yoder) Baltic, a dau. Susie, April 7. Kline, Junior A. (Miriam Raber) Baltic, a son Robert, Mar. 27. Miller, Abe M. (Lizzie Ann Miller) #1 Dundee, a dau. Emma, April 11.

Miller, Henry (Mary L. Troyer) Dundee, a dau. Laura, April 16.
Miller, Owen D. (Elsie Yoder) #4 Millersburg, a dau. Hannah, April 12.

Raber, David J. (Susan Hershberger) Baltic, a son, April 7. Schlabach, Ervin J. (Ida Miller) Fresno, a dau. Ada, Mar. 24. Troyer, Enos S. (Lydia Burkholder) Baltic, a dau. Naomi, Mar. 29. Weaver, Uriah (Mattie Miller) #2 Fredericksburg, a dau. Laura, April

Yoder, Emanuel A. (Fannie Burkholder) Baltic, a son Marlin, April 18.

## Allen County, Indiana

Brandenberger, Jacob (Kathryn Graber) a son Neil, April 20. Gerig, Jonas (Darla Eicher) a son Jonathan Jay, April 7 Lengacher, Amos (Barbara Ann Schmucker) a son Joseph, April 5. Schmucker, David (Anna Mae Lengacher) a dau. Leanna, April 8. Schmucker, James (Kathryn Wittmer) a son Benjamin, April 23. Schmucker, John P. (Mary Delagrange) a dau. Ada Marie, April 4.

#### LaGrange County, Indiana

Bontrager, Perry (Erma Fry), Topeka, a dau. Elaine Jo, Apr. 2 Bontrager, Joe (Esther Farmwald), a son in April

Bontrager, Daniel (Lizzie Ann Otto), Topeka #1, a dau. Ida Mae, Apr.

Fry, Wilbur (Ada Knepp), Topeka #2, a dau. Polly Anna, Mar. 22 Graber, Cornelius (Wilma Yoder), LaGrange, a son Dennis C., Apr. 12 Helmuth, Eli (Mary Schwartz), Three Rivers, a son Matthew Dean, Mar. 25

Hershberger, Simon (Mary Miller), a son Menno Jay, April 19 Hochstedler, Melvin (Lena Miller), Shipshewana, a son Alton M... Mar 29

Hochstedler, Ura (Barbara Lehman), a dau. Marietta, Mar. 30 Hochstedler, Jerome (Abbie Eash), Rome City, a dau. Joanna J., Apr. 25

Kurtz, Jacob (Fannie Mast), LaGrange #4, a son Ben Ray, Apr. 12 Lambright, Lloyd (Lenora Wingard), Shipshewana #2, a dau. Eileen, Apr. 5

Miller, Andrew (Arlene Bontrager), Topeka #1, a son Noah A., Apr. 14

Miller, Floyd (Mary Miller), Topeka, a dau. Ruth Ann, in April Miller, Christ (Wilma Schrock), Shipshewana #1, a dau. Erma C., Apr. 19

Miller, Noah J. (Katie Lehman), Topeka, a son Duane Eugene, Mar. 26

Miller, Vernon (Susie Schlabach), Topeka #2, a son Raymond Lee, Mar. 26

Miller, Levi (Mattie Hochstedler), Wolcottville, a dau. Neoma, Mar.

Mullet, Vernon (Ruby Bontrager), a son David Lee, Apr. 2 Schmucker, Freeman (Sarah Hochstedler), Howe, a dau. Kathryn, Mar 23

Troyer, Raymond (Lorene Bontrager), LaGrange, a son Jerry R., Apr. 15

Yoder, John (Lydia Miller), Wolcottville, a dau. Barbara, Apr. 8 Yoder, Melvin (LeAnna Byler), Topeka #2, a dau. Magdelena, Mar. 24 Yoder, Orva (Sara Mae Miller), Topeka, a son William, Apr. 1 Yoder, Floyd (Anna Graber), Shipshewana #2, a son Joas F., Apr. 1 Yoder, Martin (Mary Yoder), LaGrange, a son Stephen M., Apr. 10.

#### Nappanee, Indiana

Anderson, Noah Jr. (Lorene Miller) a dau. Lora Jean, April 19. Chupp, Lester (Linda Miller) a dau. Gina Leann, April 23. Helmuth, Daniel (Mary Miller) a son Samuel Ray, April 14. Hochstetler, Marvin (Ida Chupp) a son Richard, April 3. Hochstetler, Rudy (Carol Stoltzfus) a dau. Eva Kay, April 13.

#### **Daviess County**, Indiana

Knepp, John Henry (Viola Jean Yoder) Montgomery, a son, April 23.
Knepp, Simon (Rita Lengacher) Montgomery, a dau. Lisa Dawn, Mar.
30.

Stoll, Leroy (Rosa Knepp) Montgomery, a dau. Rhoda Arlene, Mar. 29.

Stoll, Wilmer (Rosalie Wagler) Montgomery, a son Randell, April 1.

Wagler, Willard (Ada Marie Wagler) Montgomery, a son Jeffrey
Allen, April 3.

## Lovington, Illinois

Gingerich, Eli (Dorris Yoder) a son Cletus Elrow, April 8.

Mast, Ervin (Edith Yoder) a dau. Esther Alma, April 18.

Plank, Floyd (Sarah Yoder, a son.

Plank, Wilmer (Lovina Yoder) a dau. Leona Jane, April 19.

Schrock, Howard (Mary Hershberger) a dau. Lisa Christena, Mar. 30.

Stutzman, Marvin (Sarah Herschberger) a son Jonathan, April 13.

Yoder, Wilma (Ella Herschberger) a son Jeffery, April 14.

#### Marion, Kentucky

Miller, David (Erma Yoder) a dau. Rose Anna, April 24.

#### Guthrie, Kentucky

Kanagy, Melvin (Mary Jane Kauffman) #2 Guthrie, a dau. Leanna Barbara, April 25.

Lambright, Eugene, (Ellen Kanagy) #2 Guthrie, a son Edward Lee, April 4.

#### Huntingdon, Tennessee

Troyer, John A. (Lena Borntrager), Huntingdon #2, a son Andrew J.,

#### Pike County, Missouri

Yoder, Chriss (Melinda Schwartz) a son Jerry, April 25. Yoder, George (Lydia Troyer) a dau. Irene, April 22. Yoder, Jacob (Barbara Schwartz) a son Marvin, March 31.

#### LaPlata, Missouri

Yoder, Harley L. (Lena Beachy) a dau. Ida, Apr. 28.

#### Reno County, Kansas

Bontrager, Ray A. (Sue Weaver) a dau. Treva Ann, April 13. Keim, Mervin E. (Mary Ellen Yoder) #2 Hutchinson, a son Steven, April 19.

Petersheim, Ervin T. (Alma Bontrager) #2 Haven, a son Devon Edward, March 31.

#### Bloomfield, Iowa

Yutzy, Alvin (Naomi Wagler) a son, Amos, April 19.

#### Buchanan County, Iowa

Gingerich, Dan R. (Susie Kurtz) Hazelton, a son Rudy. Helmuth, Eli A. (Mary Mast) Hazelton, a son Aden, April 12. Schwartz, Andy (Ida Mullet) Fairbank, a son Samuel, April 27. Schwartz, Perry A. (Ada Miller) Hazelton, a dau. Martha, March 29. Yoder, William F. (Katie Miller) Hazelton, a son Joe, April 9.

#### Johnson County, Iowa

Ropp, Wilbur (Verna Helmuth) a son Mahlon, April 16.

#### Harmony, Minnesota

Hershberger, Jerry J. (Lydiann Petersheim), a dau. Mary, Apr. 1 Petersheim, John H. (Verna Hershberger), a dau. Ada, April 16

#### Cashton, Wisconsin

Yoder, John (Erma Miller) a dau. Malinda, March 26.

#### Branch County, Michigan

Schwartz, Amos E. (Sarah Q. Schwartz) Quincy, a dau. Mattie, April 20.

#### Wingham, Ontario

Shetler, John D. (Anna E. Gingerich), Lucknow #2, a son Aaron, Apr. 10

Stutzman, Andrew N. (Susan L. Stutzman), Lucknow #2, a son  ${\bf Jacob},$  Mar. 26

#### Norwich, Ontario

Stutzman, Joe E. (Ella M. Miller), Mt. Elgin #1, a dau. Lydiann, Apr. 15

# **BAPTISMS**

Allen County, Indiana

April 6, by Bishop Sam J. Graber Christ, son of Victor and Mary Ann (Graber) Lengacher. James, son of John and Betty (Graber) Wittmer. Lydiann, daughter of Peter and Mary Ann (Wittmer) Zehr. Naomi, daughter of David and Leah (Eicher) Wickey.

April 13, by Bishop Sam J. Graber Ruth, daughter of Samuel and Barbara Rose (Steury) Eicher.

Daviess County, Indiana
April 6, by Fred W. Knepp, Southwest District
Arthur Jr., son of Arthur and Alta (Knepp) Wagler.
Victor, son of Fred and Lillie (Stoll) Graber.
Linda Kay, daughter of Raymond and Verda (Knepp) Knepp.
Margaret Rose, daughter of Cleadus (deceased) and Clara (Stoll)
Swartzentruber.

#### Holmes County, Ohio

April13, by Bishop Emanuel D. Miller, West Clark District Johnny, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dan J. W. Miller. Atlee. son of Minister and Mrs. John J. Yoder Jr. Eli, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy J. Yoder. Eli, son of Mr. and Mrs. Nathaniel Hershberger.

# **MARRIAGES**

Conewango Valley, New York

Hostetler, Swartzentruber - John E., son of Eli Y. and Mattie (Shetler) Hostetler, #1 Conewango Valley, to Elizabeth, daughter of Joe E. and Anna (Wengerd) Swartzentruber, #1 Conewango Valley, April 10, by Bishop Eli Swartzentruber of Canada.

#### Dover, Delaware

Coblentz, Miller - Ervin, son of Freeman J. and Anna Mary Coblentz to Dora, daughter of Benedict D. and Sovilla Miller, April 10, by Bishop Leroy J. Yoder.

Mast, Hershberger - Adlia N. (Widower) to Elizabeth, daughter of Jake J. and Sylvia Hershberger, April 17, by Bishop Dan A.

Byler, Miller - Wm. Ray, son of Henry D. and Mary Ann Byler to Lizzie Ann, daughter of Adam E. and Lizzie Miller, April 24, by Bishop John J. Yoder.

## Southern Mercer County, Pennsylvania

Wengerd, Byler - Mose, son of Jonas (deceased) and Emma (Byler) Wengerd to Sarah, daughter of Levi A. and Margaret (Byler) Byler, April 3, by Andy J. Byler.

#### Geauga County, Ohio

Troyer, Barkman - Peter, son of Alvin and Mary (Weaver) Troyer to Lena, daughter of Enos and Lizzie (Schmucker) Barkman, April 17.

Miller, Miller - Dan Jr., son of Dan and Lizzie (Byler) Miller to Susan, daughter of Allen and Mary (Mast) Miller, April 15, by

Dave Miller.

Troyer, Lesline - Raymond, son of John Henry and Esther Troyer, Middlefield, to Laura, daughter of Jake and Saloma (Kempf) Lesline, Middlefield, April 1.

Slabauch, Kempf - Robert C., son of Crist and Amanda (Miller) Slabauch, Burton, to Anna, daughter of Sam and Nancy

(Detweiler) Kempf, April 10, by Sam Kempf.

Miller, Miller - David, son of Eli and Amanda (Coblentz) Miller to Emma, daughter of Andy (deceased) and Emma (Miller) Miller, April 10, by John U. Miller.

Yoder, Slabauch - David, son of Melvin and Ella (deceased) (Gingerich) Yoder to Marion, daughter of Willard and Lydiann (Raber) Slabauch, April 17.

#### Holmes County, Ohio

Miller, Troyer - Nelson E., son of Eli E. and Mattie (Raber) Miller, #3 Millersburg, to Ada L., daughter of Levi A. C. and the late Fannie (Miller) Troyer, #5 Millersburg, April 17, by Abe A. Yoder.

Mast, Yoder - Melvin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Eli A. Mast, #4 Millersburg and Katie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry C.

Yoder, Baltic, April 24, by Bishop Henry E. Mast.

Troyer, Raber - Dan, son of Menno R. Troyers, Apple Creek, to Anna, daughter of Noah J. Rabers, #2 Millersburg, April 22, by Bishop Eli A. Yoder.

Troyer, Yoder - Noah A. Troyer, Sugarcreek, to Mary, daughter of Sam C. Yoder, #3 Millersburg, April 10, by Bishop Joe

Mast, Erb - Andy, son of Henry A. and Anna (Miller) Mast to Ella, daughter of Levi S. and Sarah (Yoder) Erb, March 20.

Miller, Troyer - John, son of Rob L. and Lydian (Raber) Miller to Alma, daughter of Noah J. and Anna (Miller) Troyer, April 10.

Raber, Yoder - Dan, son of Amos J. and Lizzie (Yoder) Raber to Ada, daughter of Crist L. and Lucinda (Raber) Yoder, April 17.

Schlabach, Raber - Edwin, son of Simon and Tillie (Miller) Schlabach to Mary, daughter of Abe J. C. and Sarah (Yoder) Raber, April 1.

Miller, Stutzman - Neal, son of Dan J. D. and Mary (Yoder) Miller to Ada, daughter of Melvin A. and Fannie (Miller) Stutzman, April 10.

#### Allen County, Indiana

Gerig, Eicher - Edwin, son of Amos and Viola Graber (Gerig) to Ruth, daughter of Samuel and Barbara Rose (Steury) Eicher, April 13, by Bishop Sam C. Graber.

#### LaGrange County, Indiana

Miller, Lehman - Henry, son of Bishop Leonard and Ruby (Slabaugh) Miller to Edna Arlene, daughter of Elvie and Ida Mae (Miller) Lehman, March 26, by Leonard Miller.

Hostetler, Miller - Marvin, son of Orva and Elva (Miller) Hostetler to Esther, daughter of Eli and Leanna (Lambright)

Miller, March 27, by Calvin Lambright.

Kaufman, Nissley - David Ray, son of David Kaufman (Beachy Amish) to Saraetta, daughter of John and Fannie Nissley, March 27, by her grandfather, David Nissley.

Graber, Lambright - Harry, son of Melvin and Ada (Hochstedler) Graber to Cindy, daughter of Glen and Annie

(Raber) Lambright.

Miller, Eash - Ernie, son of Marvin E. Millers, Nappanee, to Lizzie Mae, daughter of Ervin E. and Mary Etta (Hostetler) Eash, March 27, by Amos Lehman of Nappanee.

Yoder, Otto - James, son of Lonnie Yoders, Centreville, Michigan, to Marietta, daughter of Jerry and Polly Anna (Eash)

Otto, April 16, by Felty Yoder.

Hilty, Gingerich - William E. Hilty, Berne, to Ida, daughter of Melvin and Fannie (Miller) Gingerich, April 10, by Joke Hilty of

Nissley, Miller - Vernon, son of John and Barbara Ellen (Miller) Nissley to Sara, daughter of Harvey and Susie (Miller) Miller.

---, Mast - Wilmer, son of Vernon and Ella (Miller) to Mary Etta, daughter of Melvin and Fannie (Graber) Mast, April 27, by David J. Bontrager.

Hostetler, Lehman - Wilbur, son of Orva and Elva (Miller) Hostetler to Susie, daughter of Noah and Amanda (Yoder) Lehman, April 9, by Ervin R. Bontrager.

Yoder, Slabach - Glen, son of Chris and Katie (Beachy) Yoder to Vera, daughter of Ervin and Clara (Yoder) Slabach, April 24.

Miller, Mullet - Samuel, son of Marvin Millers, Nappanee, to Martha, daughter of Enos and Mary (Hochstedler) Mullet, April

#### Nappanee, Indiana

Bontrager, Hochstetler - Atlee, son of Ora and Mary Bontrager to Mary Jane, daughter of Solomon and Edna (Miller) Hochstetler, April 10, by Bishop Dan A. Miller.

Troyer, Byler - Paul, son of Eli and Malinda (Hochstetler) Troyer to Barbara Jean, daughter of Elmer and Anna (Chupp) Byler, April 24, by Bishop Lonnie Slabaugh.

#### Lovington, Illinois

Farmwald, Schrock - David, son of Harvey and Katie Ann (Kemp) Farmwald to Irene, daughter of Ben and Lucy (Miller) Schrock, April 16.

Miller, Plank - Willard, son of Melvin and Viola (Gingerich) Miller to Linda, daughter of John and Leah (Miller) Plank, April

Miller, Beachy - Harley, son of Jacob Millers, Indiana, to Cora, daughter of Loyd Lee and Anna (Otto) Beachy, April 17.

Otto, Schrock - Daniel, son of Amos and Fannie (Mast) Otto to Viola, daughter of Ervin and Doroth (Beachy) Schrock, April 30.

#### Jamesport, Missouri

Yoder, Schrock - Joe, son of Elmer Yoders, Marion, Kentucky, te Velma, daughter of Leroy Schrocks, Jamesport, April 17, by Bishop Tobias Detweiler.

## **ORDINATIONS**

#### Lancaster County, Pennsylvania

Daniel B. Fisher, 40, son of Christ and Elizabeth Fisher, was ordained Bishop, West Georgetown District, April 25.

Amos L. Stoltzfus, 53, Bird-in-Hand, son of the late Jacob E.

and Barbara Stoltzfus was ordained Bishop, Northwest Upper Millcreek District, April 25. Ben Allgyer, 49, Narvon, Pennsylvania, son of John and Lizzie

Allgyer, was ordained Bishop, Lower Pequea North District, May Simeon F. Esh, 35, Paradise, Pa., son of John F. and Susie Esh, Franklin County, was ordained minister, Mt. Pleasant District,

April 25. He is married to Mary Beiler, daughter of Deacon Bennie

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and Naomi Beiler, Quarryville, Pa. Others in the lot were: Amos Esh, Aaron Esh, Dannie Beiler, Jonas Fisher, David Glick, Levi

John M. Fisher, 30, son of Levi Z. and Mary (Miller) Fisher, was ordained minister, South Union District, May 1. Others in the lot were: Levi Z. Stoltzfus, Jacob Fisher, Bennie Stoltzfus, Abie

Smoker, Aaron S. King and Isaac Beiler.

Amos Smucker, 29, son of Daniel and Barbara Smucker, Mt. Pleasant District, was ordained deacon, May 2. He is married to Barbara, daughter of Jonas (deceased) and Annie Stoltzfus, Bird-in-Hand, Pa. Others in the lot were: Daniel King, Christie Beiler, Joe Fisher, Samuel Fisher and Benuel Esh.

Daniel Beiler, 31, son of Elam and Mary Beiler, Coatesville, was ordained deacon, South East Groffdale District, May 3. Others in the lot were: James Bawell, Abner King, Ivan Stoltzfus and Gideon Beiler.

Gettysburg, Pennsylvania

Omar R. Stoltzfus, 25, son of David and Susie Stoltzfus was ordained minister, April 25. He is married to Barbara, daughter of Stephen and Edith (Byler) Fisher. Others in the lot were: Stephen B. Fisher, Benjamin L. and Israel Z. Stoltzfus and Jonas M. Beiler.

#### Mifflin County, Pennsylvania

Ammon Peachey, 35, son of Ezra Y. and Malinda Peachey, was ordained deacon, April 5. He is married to Sarah, daughter of Crist B. and the late Nannie (Swarey) Peachey. Others in the lot were: Steven Wengerd, Andrew Peachey and David Yoder. Their address is: RD1 Belleville, Pa. 17004.

Louie Peachey, 30, son of Eli D. and Linda Peachey, was ordained minister, April 13. He is married to Lomie, daughter of Ezra Y. and Malinda Peachey. Others in the lot were: Daniel Peachey and Israel Swarey. Their address is: Star Route, Box 8, Belleville, Pa. 17004.

#### Holmes County, Ohio

Alfred Stutzman, 33, son of Dan E. Stutzman, was ordained minister in Ashery District, April 29. He is married to Katie, daughter of Ezra Chupp. They don't have any children. There were 13 in the lot.

#### Daviess County, Indiana

David Wagler, 27, son of Deacon Ben G. and Ida Wagler, was ordained minister, April 13, in Bishop Levi E. Graber District. He was married to Ruth Ann Yoder.

#### Jamesport, Missouri

Alvin J. Kurtz, 26, son of Minister Jonas A. Kurtzs, was ordained deacon, in Northwest District, April 6. He is married to Martha, daughter of Minister Andy N. Troyers. Others in the lot were: Floyd Miller, Joe Petersheim, Daniel L. Bontrager and Perry J. Kurtz.

# **MIGRATIONS**

Norman Beachys moved from Marshfield, Missouri, to Windsor, Missouri, April 16.

Omar and Hettie Peachey and 6 children moved to Newport,

New York, March 19.

Alvin Mast Jrs. moved from Jamesport, Missouri, to Crofton,

Kentucky, March 31.

Crist and Leah Renno, moved to Newport, New York, March 18. Crists took with them their son-in-law, Jacob and Becky (Renno) Peachey and daughter Sylvia.

Ben and Ann Stoltzfus moved from Mill Hall, Pennsylvania to

Franklin County, Pennsylvania, April 21.

Amos Zooks moved from Mill Hall, Pennsylvania to Lititz, April

Mr. and Mrs. Eli P. Zook of Desboro, Ontario, Canada moved to Canton, Minnesota area, April.

Mrs. Joe J. Shetler, newly wed moved to Lucknow, Ontario, April 1.

Rudy N. Shetler, from Mt. Elgin moved to Venus, Pennsylvania (Fryburg area), April 10.

Widow Lydia A. Hostetler and 9 children moved from Aaronsburg, Pa., (Centre Co.) to Snyder County, MCClure, #2, Pa., April 8.

# **OBITUARIES**

Byler, Mary C., 64, #1 New Wilmington, Pa.

died April 18, 1980 from a heart attack as she was found lying on the floor by her sister Amanda. She was born August 31, 1915.

She leaves 5 brothers, 2 sisters, 3 aunts, 1 uncle, besides nieces and nephews. Her brothers are: Rudy married to Anna Hostetler, Wallace, Mose, Dan, Andy married to Nancy Yoder, 2 sisters, Amanda and Katie Ann, married to Edwin D. Lee. Her parents, Chris M. and Sally Byler, 1 sister Emma preceded her in death.

Funeral was held at a nephew, Isaac R. Bylers, by Amos E.

Byler.

Bontrager, Susie, 77, Kalona, Iowa

died April 9, she was a cancer victim.

She leaves to mourn her husband Bishop Eli Bontrager.

Funeral services were held, Saturday, April 12, in a large polished house at Harvey Bontragers. Friends and relatives attended from Minnesota, Wisconsin, Missouri, Illinois and other places of Iowa. Funeral services by Preacher Ira A. Bontrager and Bishop John Miller both of Medford, Wisconsin.

Eicher, Noah N., 61, Montgomery, Michigan

died April 8, 1980, born January 13, 1919, son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter A. Eicher. He was married to Katie Y. Beiler, January 9, 1947. He died from a stroke and many complications. (See

community notes).

Surviving are his wife, Katie, 3 daughters and 3 sons: Mrs. Noah N. (Mary Ann) Schwartz, Fremont, Ind., Mrs. John C. (Fannie) Miller, Norfolk, N. Y., Mrs. Jerry T. (Sarah Mae) Schwartz, Winthrop, N. Y., Josiah, Norfolk, N. Y., Emanuel, Hamilton, Ind. and Isaiah, at home. Also 5 brothers and 2 sisters: Joe and Ben, Grabill, Ind., Andy and Catherine, Spencerville, Ind., Mrs. Daniel (Sarah) Schwartz, Norfolk, N. Y., Menno and Amos, Adams County, Ind. 10 grandchildren. His parents, 1 son, and 1 brother preceded him in death.

Funeral services were held on Friday April 11, at 9:00 A. M. at the Eicher home by Bishop Enos Steury in the big house and Lavern Steury in the little house. Burial was in the Amish

Cemetery in Branch County, Michigan.

Erb, Reuben S., 58, Baltic, Ohio

died Saturday, April 26, he was the son of Sam and Sarah Erb, born in Holmes County, Ohio, March 20, 1922. He was the husband of Susie D. Yoder, married December 10, 1946. He died very unexpectedly Sat eve about 8:30. He wasn't feeling to good during the day and went to relax. He was found dead on his bed.

Surviving are 3 sons, Sam, Baltic, Dan and Atlee of the home, 2 daughters, Sarah, at home and Mrs. Eli (Annie) H. Mast, Baltic, 2 brothers, Henry and Levi, Baltic, and Atlee of Millersburg, 1

sister, Mrs. Albert J. (Saloma) Raber.

Funeral services were held April 29, at the home, by Bishop Andy E. Yoder. Burial in Yoder Cemetery, Clark Township.

Fisher, infant, #2 Paradise, Pa.

was stillborn at the Hershey Medical Center, born to Melvin K. and Annie Jean (Stoltzfus) Fisher.

Gingerich, Emanuel P., 77, Ethridge, Tenn.

Graber, Ester, 57, Camden, Michigan

She was married to Louis Graber. She was a cancer victim.

Hershberger, Phineas, infant, Westby, Wisconsin

He was born to John Jr. and Emma J. (Bontrager) Hershberger.

Kanagy, Emma M., 40, Willow Hill, Pa.

died Wednesday, March 26, from a serious infection after giving birth to a stillborn son that day. She was a daughter of the late Menno and Mattie Wengerd. She was married to Moses A. Kanagy in 1960. They lived in Juniata County until 2 years ago in March they moved in the Dry Run area.

Surviving are her husband and the following children all at home; Lydia 18, Betsy 17, Fannie 16, David 14, Daniel 13, Lavina 11, Ada 8, John 6, Joseph 5 and Stephen, all at home. Three sisters, Ada, Mrs. Sam Kanagy, Elizabeth, Mrs. Levi Kanagy, Mifflintown, Fannie, Mrs. Sam Beiler, Spring Run, and four

brothers, Eli married to Mary (Zook), Daniel married to Amelia (Yoder), Belleville, Pa., Andy married to Annie (Kanagy) Mifflintown, John married to Fannie (Beiler), Spring Run, Pa.

Funeral services were held March 29, at the Samuel Stoltzfus residence by Dan Slabaugh of Ohio and John Swarey of the home church. Burial in Path Valley Amish Cemetery.

Kurtz, Jacob J., 58, Mechanicsville, Md.

died April 23, at Leohardtown, he had heart trouble.

Surviving are his wife Emma, and 2 sons, Solly and Joe, both living close to home.

Funeral services were held at Sollys on Friday, by Chris Swarey and Levi Swarey. Lied read by David M. Beiler of New York. Burial in Hertzler Cemetery.

Lantz, Benuel B., 11 month, Gordonville, Pa.

son of Jonathan B. and Sarah Lantz. He was ill since birth.

Surviving besides his parents are one sister, Naomi, and brothers, Abram and Isaac at home, paternal grandparents, Isaac and Rachel Lantz, Gordonville, maternal grandparents, Jonas and Elizabeth Beiler, Kinzer and maternal great grandparents, Ben and Sarah King, Gap, Pa.

Burial at Myers Cemetery.

Mast, Anna J., 64, #2 Fredericksburg, Ohio

died Tuesday, April 22, Holmes County, Ohio, son of Jonas J. and Katie (Troyer) Yoder. She died at home following a long illness. First marriage to John C. Miller who died March 22, 1962. She married second time to Alvin I. Mast, April 7, 1966.

Surviving besides her second husband are the following children, Katie, wife of Roman L. Yoder, #1 Sugarcreek, Clare, wife of Ervin D. Troyer, Amanda, wife of Noah N. L. Yoder, both of #1 Baltic, Emma, wife of Joe M. Miller, #3 and Atlee Miller, #5 Millersburg, Mattie, wife of Levi A. Raber, #1 Belleville, Anna, wife of Jim Bears, Kidron and Ben J. Miller, #2 Fredericksburg. A stepdaughter and six step sons also survive, Anna, wife of Dan J. Hershberger, Lore City, Aden, Myron, and Isaac Mast, Star Rt., Millersburg, John Mast, #2 Dundee, Roman Mast, #2 Fredericksburg and Eli Mast at home.

A sister and 2 brothers, Mattie, wife of Levi E. Miller, #4, David Yoder, #3 all of Millersburg, 39 grandchildren and 41 step

grandchildren survive.

Funeral services were held at the late home by Bishop Roman D. Mast. Burial in Yoder Cemetery, Mechanic Township.

Mast, Jacob, 32, Lobelville, Tenn.

died April 14, born October 3, 1948. He died of a recent seige of influenza, having believed at first to be pneumonia. He peacefully drew his last breath at home. In his last few days on earth he was completely helpless.

Surviving are his parents Henry H. and Ella Mast, and five sisters and four brothers, Mary 38, Paul 36, Eli 34, Ervin 30,

Andrew 28, Sevilla 26, Katie 24, Sarah 22, Fannie 20.

Funeral services were held at the late home, many friends and relatives attended.

He was buried in the family cemetery in this community.

#### In Loving Memory of Jacob

As we look upon the coffin, of our brother, son and friend
Tis a scene our hearts doth soften, as we try to comprehend.
Now pictures of his manhood prime, engage our memory vivedly,
But we see how change and time, called him to eternally.
For sickness bade him take his bed, only nine short days ago
That it would call him home beside, little did we think or know.
As in solemness we ponder, were our loved one here today
How it makes us really wonder, just what Jacob now would say?
Perhaps he saw some blessed vision, while he lingered near
death's door

And longer to share the inspiration, but his lips could speak no

more. If he could have spoke his message, on his death bed might have

"De not grive, for I am going, where there's no more death and sin."

To us all his exhortation, seems to me would surely be, "Serve the Lord in glad unison, someday soon you'll follow me." With one last view upon the face, so still and calm indeath, We think of what a worthy place, he filled while he had breath. 104

Our memories of his love and care, will always sweet remain His was a heart that gladly shared, in others joys and pain. The blessed hope that Jacob's safe, with his precious Lord and

In our lonliness and grief, takes away death's bitter sting.
We trust some blessed sweet tomorrow, with united heart and

hand We'll be free from earth and sorrow, to join him in the Promised Land.

Written by a well known friend.

Miller, Chris L., 78, #1 Topeka, Ind.

died at 6:50 p. m. Wednesday at his home. He had been bedfast for one week. He was born December 14, 1901, in LaGrange County, where he was a lifelong resident. He married Alma Eash,

February 27, 1923, who survives.

Also surviving are five daughters, Mrs. Alpha (Mary) Miller, Middlebury, Mrs. Henry (Nettie) Mast, Ligonier, Mrs. Floyd (Wilma) Bontrager, Topeka, Mrs. Jerry (Ruby) Miller, Shipshewana, amd Mrs. Lloyd (Katie) Miller, Nappanee, three sons, Cletus, Middlebury, and Perry and Elvon, both of Millersburg, 41 grandchildren, 17 great grandchildren, 1 sister, Mrs. Jerry (Susie) Lambright, Shipshewana. Two daughters preceded him in death.

Funeral services were held at 9:30 a.m. Saturday at the family home with Bishop Jacob Petersheim and the Rev. Ervin Miller

officiating. Burial at the Bontrager Cemetery.

Miller, Joe E., 77, Fredericksburg, Ohio

died April 16, born January 16, 1903, in Holmes County, Ohio, son of Eli P. and Anna (Wingard) Miller. He died after a long illness. He was married to Mattie Miller.

Surviving are 2 daughters, Mrs. Noah (Lizzie) Wengard, Conewango Valley, New York, and Mrs. Sam E. (Fannie) Miller of the home, 2 sons, Eli, Lakeview, Michigan, and Levi, Otterville,

Ont., 44 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren.

Funeral services were held on Friday at 9:00 a.m. at the residence with Bishop Sam Y. Hershberger officiating. Burial in the Gingerich Cemetery in Salt Creek Township, Wayne County, Ohio.

Miller, Katie, 79, Topeka, Ind.

died Monday, March 24, in her home following an illness of four years. She was born in LaGrange County, March 14, 1901, the daughter of Mose A. and Mary Yoder. She was married to Monroe J. Miller, February 19, 1922, who survives.

Also surviving are three daughters, Mrs. John (Freeda) Miller Jr. and Mrs. Mahlon (Lou Ella) Cross Jr., both of Topeka, and Mrs. Ezra (Mary Ellen) Gingerich, Shipshewana, three sons, Harold, Willard and Ernest, all of Topeka, two brothers, Ernie Yoder, Garrett and Orva Yoder, Shipshewana, two sisters, Mrs. John (Gertie) Christner, Shipshewana and Mrs. Jacob (Sarah) Kropf, Middlebury, and several grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Friday at 9:30 a. m. in the family home with Bishop Freeman R. Miller officiating, assisting by the Rev. Nathaniel Miller and the Rev. David Nissley. Burial in the

Miller Cemetery.

Miller, Lizzie J., 77, Kalona, Iowa

died after an operation of the leg.

She is survived by her husband Noah Miller and the following children, two daughters and five sons, Truman, Eddie, Freeman and Ezra of Kalona, Levi of Albuquerque, N. Mexico. Susie and Katie, at home, 17 grandchildren and 14 great grandchildren also survive.

Funeral services were held in the late home by Wm. H. Miller and Bishop Elmer T. Miller.

Miller, Mahlon G., 2 month, Norwich, Ontario, Canada

died April 19, apparently of pneumonia, see page 2. He was the son of Gideon L. and Ella (Shetler) Miller, born February 7, 1980.

Surviving besides his parents are 7 brothers and 3 sisters, Miriam, Emma, Joe, Atlee, Amos, Gideon Jr., Albert, Mary, Uria and Jacob, all at home, grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Levi E. Miller and Mr. and Mrs. Joe M. Shetler, great grandmother, Mrs. Joni Miller of Apple Creek, Ohio.

Funeral services were held at the home on April 21, by Preacher Jake J. Wengard of Conewango Valley, New York and Bishop Eli Swartzentruber. Burial in Maple Dell Amish Cemetery. Age 2 months and 12 days.

Miller, Samuel B., 80, Goshen, Ind.

died Monday, March 31, at his home. He had been bedfast for two weeks. He was born in LaGrange County, May 9, 1899, the son of John J. S. and Barbara (Bontrager) Miller. He was a farmer and carpenter, moved to the Goshen area 13 years ago from Emmatown. He married July 1, 1924, to Edna Mae Chupp, who preceded him in death August 7, 1952.

Surviving are two sisters, Mrs. Anna Hochsteller, Topeka, Mrs. August (Pauline) Wickey, Burr Oak, Michigan, two brothers Cornelius and Val, both of Goshen, a son, Elton S., Dalton, Wisconsin, two daughters, Mrs. Obie (Ruby Mae) Miller and Ida Ann Miller, both of Goshen, 12 grandchildren and 27 great

grandchildren. A son preceded him in death.

Funeral services were held Thursday at 1 p. m. in the Perry E. Miller residence, three miles east of Emmatown, with Bishop Alton Bontrager and the Rev. Lloyd Miller officiating. Burial was in the Miller Cemetery.

Miller, William J., 73, #2 Spartansburg, Pa.

died suddenly in the hospital where he was a patient for a few days. He was formerly of Geauga County, Ohio.

Nissley, Mrs. Mary Ann, 82, #1 Dundee, Ohio

died April 1, in her home of old age and complications. She was born in Holmes County, a daughter of the late Eli J. and Mattie (Kurtz) Hochstetler. On December 18, 1919, she married Joe J. Nisley who died Nov. 13, 1965.

Surviving are a daughter and a son, Mrs. Enos L. (Clara) Miller and Eli J., #1 Dundee, four brothers, Eli Hochstetler, #1 Wooster, David, #1 Dundee, Emanuel, #2 Sugarcreek, and Harvey, Apple Creek, nine grandchildren, five great grandchildren, a daughter, three brothers and three sisters preceded her in death.

Funeral services were held Friday, April 4, in the Enos L. Miller residence, by Bishop Isaac I. Miller. Burial was in the Schlabach

Cemetery.

Stoltzfoos, Mary S., 11/2, #1 Kinzers, Pa.

died Sunday, April 13. She was found by her father in a water trough. See page 2. She was born September 14, 1978, a daughter

of Amos F. and Anna R. (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfoos.

Also surviving are two brothers, Stephen S. and Jacob S., and a sister Rachel S., all at home, paternal grandchildren, Jacob S. and Katie (Fisher) Stoltzfoos, #1 Kinzers, maternal grandparents, Samuel M. and Mary L. (Riehl) Stoltzfus, #1 Kirkwood, great grandfather, Stephen S. Stoltzfus, #1 Kirkwood, and great grandmother Mrs. Arie Y. Riehl, #1 Bird-in-Hand.

Funeral services were held at the home on April 16, at 9:00 a. m. by David L. Riehl and Bishop Henry Fisher. Hymns by Samuel K. Stoltzfus and Deacon John S. King. Abshied by Amos L. Stoltzfus.

Burial in Gordonville Cemetery.

Trover, Rueben (Minister)

Friends and relatives attended the funeral from Tenn., Okla., New York, Missouri, Ohio, Indiana and possibly other states, too.

Weaver, Lydia J., 72, #2 Fredericksburg, Ohio

died from an appearant heart attack, born in Holmes County, Ohio, she was a daughter of John P. and Fannie (Mast) Weaver.

Surviving are five brothers and four sisters, Andy J., Ben J., Fannie, wife of Malva Shetler, All of #2 Fredericksburg, Peter J., Apple Creek, Dan J. #6 Millersburg, Abe J., Sarasota, Fla., Mrs. Anna Weaver and Mattie, wife of Eli D. Miller, Holmesville and Sarah, wife of Harry Yoder, Blackville, S. C.

Funeral services were held at the Andy Weaver home by Bishop Roman Troyer. Burial in the Weaver family cemetery in Salt

Creek Township, Holmes County, Ohio.

Yoder, Christ D., 82, Apple Creek, Ohio died after an extended illness, born in Holmes County, Ohio, he was the son of the late Dan and Susan (Swartzentruber) Yoder.

Surviving are his second wife, Lovina, 4 daughters, Susan and Amanda, at home, Mattie, Canton, Minn., and Mrs. Dan (Lizzie) Yoder, Goshen, Ind., 7 sons, Dan, Apple Creek, Ruby, Canton, Minn., Pete, Goshen, Ind., Ben, Reedsville, Pa., Joni, #2 Fredericksburg and Andy and Levi, at home, 2 sisters, Mrs. Dan (Lizzie) Nisley and Mrs. Amanda Miller, Arkansas, 1 brother, Andy D. Yoder, #1 Apple Creek, 34 grandchildren and 33 great grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Thursday, at 9 a.m. in the residence

with Bishop Joe D. Troyer officiating. Burial in the Gingerich Cemetery, Salt Creek Township, Wayne County, Ohio.

Yoder, William D. Yoder, 82, Topeka, Indiana

died March 26, 1980, from a heart attack, born July 7, 1897, in Goshen General Hospital after being ill for 3 weeks. He was married to Susie J. Yoder, November 8, 1916. She died July 15, 1977

Surviving are 9 daughters, Mrs. Harry (Katie) Cross, Middlebury, Mrs. Floyd (Polly) Fry, Haven, Kansas, Mrs. William (Betsy) Fry, Mrs. Glen (Anna) Fry, and Mrs. Raymond (Edna Fern) Miller, all of Topeka, Mrs. Mervin (Vera) Miller, Ligonier, Mrs. Ervin (Clara) Slabach, Shipshewana, Mrs. Alvin (Susana) Keim and Mrs. Elmer (Ruby) Byler, both of Millersburg, 9 sons, Joe, Zephrhills, Fla., Amos, Middlebury, Ora, Welda, Kan., Felty, Elmer, and Albert, all of Topeka, William, Goshen, David, Shipshewana, and Merle, Batesville, Ark., 96 grandchildren, 67 great grandchildren, 2 sisters, Mrs. Enos (Anna) Mullet, Shipshewana, and Mrs. Katie Bontrager, Middlebury. A daughter, 3 sons, 10 grandchildren and a great grandchild preceded him in death.

Funeral services were held Saturday, March 29, at the home by David Yoder (Iowa), Tobe Troyer (23) and Glen Lambright (23) in the big house and in the Doddy house, by Lonnie Yoder (73), Orla Troyer (24), and Calvin Lambright (24). Burial was at the Hawpatch Cemetery. Pallbearers were: Orva Hostetler, Mervin

P. Miller, Ben Gingerich Jr. and Roman Stutzman.

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## **CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS**

### Conewango Valley, New York - Moses D. Swartzentruber

More on the dry side and warm, with rain 7 days, and snow the 4th, 10th, 15th, and 16th. Some oats were sown by the end of the month. Trees are slow in getting buds.

## LeRaysville, Pa. - Mrs. Chester Yoder

We had quite a bit of rain the first part of April, with

temperature mostly in high 50's and mid 60's.

A blanket of snow on ground the morning of the 16th. Warmer again on the 18th and had a week of sunny weather with temperature in 60's everyday. A thunderstorm on the 24th and then mostly rainy the rest of the month.

Plowing is being done. A few have oats sowed and gardens are

being planted.

## Mill Hall [Nittany Valley], Pa. - Mrs. Ben K. Fisher

We're having cloudy, rainy and chilly weather here in the east end of Nittany Valley since Sunday morning (April 27th) after a week of beautiful, sunny days. March arrived her in winter clothes, bringing winds and some sunshine, which would warm up the chilliness in afternoon. It continued to be nice mostly until middle March which surprised us with inches of snow, quickly covering fields, meadows and closing up some lanes, including our ½ mile stretch. March 15th dawned into a glorious day, whose sunshine made the snow melt fast. March 16th was much the same. The 17th brought us a light rain, then it was lovely again till the 21st brought an all day rain. The 22nd it was colder and windy. The 23rd was cool and windy, but warmed up to a beautiful spring day. The 24th we had showers in eve. Then it was quite nice the

next 4 days. March 29th brought moisture again, 30th and 31st were showery and cloudy. April 1st came with a sunny disposition till the 4th which lightly moistened the earth. Weather stayed nice till the 9th in eve, a rather violent thunderstorm made its way thru the valley, claiming a barn near Jacksonville. April the 10th stayed cloudy with some showers, 3 days allowed outside activities again. April 14th it rained most of the day. The 15th had showers, then it was lovely most of time till in eve of 20th had light showers. Then from the 21st thru the 26th it was a beautiful warm week, with temperatures up in the 80s at times, Filling many a garden row and plowing was getting done by the acre. The 27th it rained again, it had been quite dry for newly planted strawberries, etc., which we found we'd better keep moist with the sprinkler. Now with this week's rains, they appear well started.

We wish to welcome David Glicks (who moved to the former Alvin Lapp farm) Daniel Glicks (who plan to occupy the former Ben L. Stoltzfus farm) and Samuel and Miriam Fisher, who now live where we vacated a year ago, on Elam B. Stoltzfus's farm. David and Annie Fisher made their 2nd move to Amos Huyard farm, since fall, where they'd lived on A. Lapp's farm, after vacating Dan B. Stoltzfus's other end of house, as hired man.

#### Centre County [Brush Valley], Pa. - David B. Stoltzfus

Spring arrived in March like usual with plowing starting the last full week in March. We had quite a bit of rain during April after a dry winter. We had some rainy days in the beginning of each week except the last full week which was sunny every day giving farmers a chance to sow oats and alfalfa. Low temperature was 19 degrees on April 17th. Total rainfall was 7 or 8 inches with wet fields again and still a bit of plowing to be done. Very little corn if any, has been planted yet. Some alfalfa stands have thinned out following a winter of very little snow on the ground. Those alfalfa fields that were not harvested a third time last summer due to second crop being late because of rainy weather are looking most promising.

#### Montour County, Pa. - Amos K. Stoltzfus

The month of April was alittle wet at the beginning and then had a few weeks of nice weather, which dried the ground off pretty good, so that gave the farmer a good chance to get some plowing done, oats sowed, gardens planted, manure hauled, and some other spring work done. Then on the 27th and 28th it rained and was cloudy on the 29th and 30th with alittle rain. So that stopped farming for a few days.

Cattle prices are in the low bracket again, calves are down toward what they were, pigs are off too.

#### Lebanon County, Pa. - Levi S. King

April was cool with about average rainfall (4. 1 inches). Main work for farmers was plowing and hauling manure with a few reports of some corn planting. Except for milk prices received for farm products are mostly at or below cost, but have to think still when we get a week of rainy weather at corn planting time, if we have a little patience the time will come when we can make headway again.

### Bareville, Pa. - Levi L. Stoltzfus

Rainfall for Bareville area was 4. 6 inches.

Market report, Top choice cattle around 68.50 with around \$4.00 decline, with an average \$61.90 ending last week of April. Fat hogs sold \$28.00 - \$33.00 cwt., 40 lb. feed pigs from 43.00 - \$65.00 cwt., dairy cattle at New Holland 1175.00 - \$1850.00, choice 25 - 45 lb. Easter lambs range 110.00 - \$200.00 cwt., after Easter large egg market quotations dropped to .57 doz., Heavy hens .24 - 32 lb., pullets .40 - .50 lb., capons .66 - .70 lb., ducks .65 - .72 lb., rabbits .48 - 90 lb., guineas \$1.20 - \$1.30 lb., potatoes retail \$7.00 cwt., hay 35.00 - \$125.00 ton, straw 45.00 - \$70.00 ton, corn fodder 39.00 - \$51.00 ton, corn 81.00 - \$87.00 ton or \$2.90 bu., wheat \$4.10 bu., barley \$2.30 bu., oats \$1.83 bu.

## Millersburg [Dauphin County], Pa. - Mrs. Benuel B. Fisher

We had very nice weather in April, with a fair amount of rain and all day rain on the 14th then nice sunny weather till p.m. of the 26th, it was rainy the 27th and 28th and cleared off the 29th.

Men were hauling manure and plowing. Most people are about ready to plant corn. Women are planting gardens and cleaning house.

## Chester County, Pa. - J. Elmer Lapp

April was unusually dry until the last week, we had showers on the 9th, 14th and 15th. The last 5 days it rained over 4 inches, making a total of 6.3 inches. The coldest morning was on the 17th with temperature of 28 degrees. A lot of plowing was done, alfalfa seeded, and some corn planted, rye is starting to head and will be ready to cut soon for straw.

#### Dover, Delaware - Neil N. Hershberger

April was a nice month, not nearly as many frosty mornings as some years, yet cool enough to hold things back some. Low temperature for the month was 26 degrees on the 17th and high 72 degrees on the 21st. Total rainfall was 3.4 inches which is below normal for April.

Early barley and rye is in head, alfalfa knee high, corn planting time has begun. We have had stock out on good pasture since the 1st of April, but restricting their grazing time.

#### St. Mary's County, Maryland - Amos R. Stoltzfus

It was still wet when April began but then a week of very nice spring weather. More rain on the 8th and 9th and 14th. Then 2 weeks of lovely weather which dried out the land, until it was kinda dry to plow. Some corn was planted, but now it rained again off and on for the last few days, so that field work had stopped again. Hog prices are still low, near 30 cents. Grade A milk near \$14.00 per hundred for 3.5 test.

#### Mt. Pleasant Mills, Pa. - Sam M. Troyer

April was a little cooler than average. A lot of oats were sown this month. We had around five inches of rain and is raining today. Fruit bloom is later than some springs and hasn't frozen so far and it looks like we might have lots of fruit. But of course it could still freeze, I heard that Dan got an order for apple boxes so someone must be optomistic.

## McClure [Snyder County], Pa. - John Y. Speicher

April had a lot of rain also a hail storm with a small tornado. The tornado passed thru between Crossgrove Hall and McClure breaking off some trees, tore a meduim size bank barn down to the floor except one mow was left standing up to the square, all the roof was off and all twisted up. It also did some damage at Wright's sawmill, it damaged a trailer court by Beaversprings. Some oats to sow yet and some corn is planted. Some low fields were still too wet to plow. The last full week in April was nice weather to work in fields. Before the low ground dried enough to plow it rained again. It started to rain on Saturday night the 26th, it rained or drizzled all day Sunday the 27th all day. On Monday the 28th it rained, then Tuesday the 29th it cleared off late in p m. And it rained again Tuesday night and this is now Wednesday the 30th, still raining.

#### Juniata County, Pa. - David Y. Renno

The weather was about normal rainfall and mostly fair and warm days not many hard frosts and no snow, but a few thunder showers during April. Trees are late in getting their foilage and farmers are late getting their crops out. Not much oats sown in April last of the month. One third of this year is already past.

## Mifflin County, Pa. - Catherine M. Swary

Many nice sunny days in April. Also sleet and some snow flurries. Rain on April the 14th and 15th also again the 26th, 27th, 28th and 29th. Making a total of 5 inches to 5.5 inches. Lowest temperature was 26 degrees, highest was 75 degrees. Lots of plowing has been done, some oats sowed and gardens planted. Early planted vegetables such as peas, radishes, onions, lettuce and potatoes are up and growing.

### Path Valley, Pa. - Daniel Z. Beiler

April was an unusually cool and wet month. So that people had to watch their chance to get seeds in ground. The week of the 21st was nice to get some planting done. We did get some seeds in the ground before that when it dried off a little bit. Trees, etc. are now just beginning to look green. Still a good bit of plowing to do yet.

## Gettysburg, [Adams County] Pa. - Elizabeth A. Stoltzfus

April showers, bring May flowers. We had rain on 11 weather days in April and a thunder storm and hail on the 9th. Total rainfall here at our place was 5.1 inches. Our longest period without rain was from the 15th to the 26th. A lot of plowing was

LaGrange County, Indiana - Miss Anna Eash
April brought changeable.weather. We had some rainy, cooler

days with 40 degree temperatures and a few frost the first part of the month. We also had some very nice sunshiny with 80 degree days.

Plowing and sowing is somewhat late but we're busy. Early

gardens are planted and things are coming quite well to former

schedules. Alfalfa is growing and trees are leaving out fast. Some

Dry Run, Pa. - Mrs. Emanuel Peachey

April brought us plenty of moisture, even some snow flurries in the forenoon of the 16th. Farmers were unable to do much in the fields before the week of the 20th. That week was warm and favorable. The last 4 days of the month were rainy again, around 2 inches rainfall.

done in that time. Gardens planted, fertilizer spread, manure

hauled out, some got oats or alfalfa sowed, and cows are out on

pasture. Our coldest was on the morning of the 17th when it was

25 degrees. We had 3 frosty mornings in a row at that time. We

Crops are behind schedule due to the wet weather. Oats are not all sown yet.

Meyersdale, [Somerset County] Pa. - Mary A. Kinsinger

had 5 mornings with temperature at 50 degrees or more.

April started in quite wet and cool. We had 4.8 inches of rain for the month. Also had about an inch of snow the 15th and 16th. It cleared off then and was very nice and warm from the 17th to the 24th and has been cool and wet since.

Quite a lot of plowing was done during our week of nice weather also early gardens made and some oats sowed but not very many

sowed yet, only the early ones.

Oakland, Maryland - Mrs. Atlee Hershberger

The first part we had quite a bit of rain and the 16th we had a light cover of snow then after that we had a week or 10 days of real nice weather. Men had plenty time to sow oats. Early gardens were also planted. Now the last day of April it is raining again. No canning beans are being put out by any Amish around here that I know.

Mercer, Pa. - Mrs. E. H. Kurtz

We had 6 days of April showers, 2 days a few snow flurries on the 15th and 16th. On the morning of the 17th was our coldest for the month at 22 degrees. Mostly morning temperatures were in the 30's and 40's. Highest day time temperature was 7 days of 60's and over and 3 days of 70 and over. Farmers are sowing oats. Fruit trees are just starting to bloom. Fat hogs were \$2.00 a hundred, at the highest, calves a little better price with beef prices steady.

Crawford County, Pa. - Mrs. Menno Fisher

We are having a late spring, the first half of April was cold and wet, then we had a week without any rain, about 10 days. People made gardens, and farmers are nearly done plowing. Total rainfall for the month was 3.33 inches. Highest temperature was 69 degrees, lowest was 11 degrees. It snowed on the 5th, 15th and 16th.

#### Geauga County, Ohio - Eli E. Miller

Rains finally let up and much field work is being done. Most of the oats are sown, corn ground, fence fixing, grass seeding is on schedule to be done.

Milk prices are holding up but other prices dropped. Eggs at local auction bring 40 to 50 cents. Many are being laid off at local factories. April started in rainy and cool. In the middle of the month we had nice warm, sunny days. We had cooler again the last week.

#### Holmes County, Ohio - Mrs. John H. Yoder

For the month of April we had about 4 inches of rain up until the 20th. A lot of oats was put in after the 20th and still a lot of plowing has to be done for oats yet. Grass is really greening up. Temperature was a low of 24 degrees to the high 70s. A lot of garden has been made.

Mush rooms are scarce.

South Eastern Holmes County, Ohio - John L. Yoder

We still had some cold and chilly days in the forepart of April along with some snow flurries, apparently making a late spring. The latter half we had more sunshiny days. Some oats are sowed but still a lot to be sowed yet. Dairy cattle is still high, beef some lower, hogs have advanced some, but not much change in pig prices.

#### Allen County, Indiana - Mrs. John Schmucker

April was a nice spring month. Oat sowing is all done and some also planted corn. We had some rainy and cool weather, also light thunderstorm and hail.

Many weddings have been on the agenda and more are scheduled.

Daviess County, Indiana - Elizabeth Mae Raber

April was mostly cool and we had a lot of cloudy days, although we had 7 days that the temperture reached 70 degrees or more. We had wet weather the 1st half of the month, so garden making was late, also plowing which is the work among the men folks lately. We had 3 frosts for the month and alittle snow the night of the 14th. Rainfall for the month was 4.1 inches low temperature was 32 degrees and high was 82 degrees. This is the 30th, still cool and is foggy this morning.

#### Lovington, Illinois - Henry R. Yoder

lawns have been mowed.

The month of April was one of many changes which isn't

On the 15th we had a snow and the next day again however soon was melted and a week from the day of the snow the temperature rose to between 85 to 90 degrees, which was quite a change for horses that hadn't been used to work.

The first part of April was cool and wet but mostly light rains then also the above mentioned snow, then by the 18th the field work started and has been nice since with real warm a few days then chilly and uncomfortable, and light rains again on the 28th.

Quite a bit of corn was planted from the 21st to 27th. There's still quite a bit to plant but if weather stays fit there will be time

for farmers to get caught up with their planting.

Cattle and hog market hasn't changed much lately. Slaughter steers a top of \$65.00 and top on hogs was \$30.00 as of April 25th Feeder pigs, 30 to 40 pounds were from \$17. to \$23. Corn prices are around \$2.40 per bushel which is just same as a year ago. Soybeans are around \$5.50 to \$6.00 where a year ago they were \$7.00.

A number of workers are out of work at present.

#### Marion, Kentucky - Sam Hertzler

Since March we didn't have any temperature below 32 degrees In some other places it was reported colder.

It has been very wet and no oat seeding being done before the 19th. No big acreage of oats are grown here. Corn planting is about to begin.

The squeeze of high interest is being felt. Banks report plenty of money on hand, but no demand for money as is normal. I understand interest rates are on the way down.

Land is not selling well, and prices of farm products are low.

Guthrie, Kentucky - Jesse D. Peachy

Weather was favorable during April. Rainfall was below average, but ground was still soaked from earlier rains. Corn is mostly planted now and some is up. The week of the 20th was quite warm and sunny with a record breaking of 90 degrees on the 23rd.

Pleasantville, [Perry County], Tennessee - Ruth Miller

The month of April seemed almost like summer. It was

surprising that we didn't have more rain.

Strawberries are in full bloom and there are a few almost ripe About all the corn and garden things are planted. The trees an everything look so beautiful, all clad in the garment of green. An then the beautifulsprings running through the valley adds extr beauty to it all.

The temperature was around 75 to 80 degrees from the 1st th 8th. From there to the 18th the temperature went down to 58 to 6 degrees. From the 19th to 25th it was around 90 degrees and over the only time it rained was on the 25th, so it was sort of dry par of the time. After the rain the temperature was around 6 degrees. So that is pretty well the diary of Perry County Tennessee.

#### Hollow Rock, Tennessee - Rudy A. Trover

The first half of the month brought quite a few windy days and just enough moisture to keep field work still progressing slowly. The last part of the month was more favorable for field work. We had around an inch of rain over the last week end, then it got colder again. We had 2 light frosts in the first half but there was no damage done. Some people are enjoying radishes and lettuce from their gardens.

Windsor, Missouri - Mrs. Monroe Hershberger

April was wet and cool until after the 15th. Having rains occasionally then, on the morning of the 14th we were greeted with an inch of snow, which all melted before evening. Temperature was 30 degrees that morning, warming up to 92 degrees (a record breaker) on the 21st. Although it was cooler the last week of April, in the morning it was in the 40s, it stayed dry enough for regular garden and field work to continue. We have enjoyed several meals each, of radishes, lettuce, asparagus and rhubarb. Our schools closed the 14th and 15th, and had our picnic the 18th, a warm and lovely day.

#### LaPlata, Missouri - Mrs. Mose M. Borntreger

The first week in April temperatures were from 32 degrees in the early morning to 48 degrees during the day. The second week was warm as a whole, on the 7th it was about 70 degrees. It rained on the night of the 2nd, and on the 11th. The 14th it snowed about all day, but melted fast so it didn't pile up any. The rest of the week was mostly sunny except for a rainy Thursday on the 17th. That was our last rain, since we have had sunny days and 60 degree weather.

Gardens are planted and early things are growing nicely. Think all, or anyway most of the oats are sowed. Some corn planting is

done by our English neighbors.

#### Jamesport, Missouri - Amos W. Yoder

April was mostly cool except for 3 days, the 20th to 22nd, temperature went in the 80 degrees. Farmers couldn't work in fields till after the middle of April. I think oats are about all sowed now, and some have planted corn already. We didn't have any rain since the 17th, so the ground is getting rather dry. Hunting season is open for wild turkey at present. It is reported they are quite plentiful. Several Amish hunters got theirs the first morning already.

#### Pike County, Missouri - Jacob A. Mast

We had some rainy days in April. The morning of the 14th the ground was covered with snow, it snowed and blowed all day. Lots of oats are sowed, plowing is done and gardens planted.

## Haven [Reno County], Kansas - Mrs. E. E. Schrock

April was a nice month. Temperature was from 29 to 87 degrees throughout the month. The wheat and alfalfa fields have made a rapid growth. Although some fields are damaged by the high waters we had earlier this spring. It is a little dry now. Gardens are slow because of cold weather. Some people have radishes to eat already. Some low gardens were planted late. A lot of tulips are blooming at the present time. The birds are singing their merry tunes.

#### Reno County, [Partridge area], Kansas-Edward A.Mast

Spring is late coming in this year. April was cooler than average with only a few warm days. Crops and trees are about two weeks on behind. Most of our moisture for April came during the first ten days. A lot of field work was done the last week. Most of the corn is planted. Alfalfa looks good, but the wheat is thin and spotty.

Wheat is about \$1.00per bushel lower than last harvest. It is at

\$3.22 today.

## Bloomfield, Iowa [Davis County]-Mrs. Daniel D. Yoder

The first few weeks in April were cool and mostly cloudy with rain and snow now and then. The 7th was a beautiful warm day, but exactly a week later on the 14th we had quite a blizzard, which was about the last snow, but it soon disappeared. On the 18th summer suddenly seemed to have arrived as the next 4 or 5 days the temperature went in the 80's with a nice preeze. Garden planting and field work began in full swing. After the oats were in, corn planting began for some. The last week was more cool and cloudy. The hog market is still low and carpenter jobs aren't readily available.

#### Hazelton, Iowa-Joe A. Yoder

The month of April was more on the cool side. Not much moisture fell through the month. Monday the 14th was a stormy day. A light snow fell about all day. We had several rea! warm days. April 19,75 degrees, 20,78 degrees, 21,85 degrees, 22,95 degrees, a record breaker for that day. It was real good weather to work horses except those few warm days. Farmers are well along with field work. Quite a bit of corn was planted the last few days.

### Johnson County, Iowa-Eli S. Bontrager

Springtime is here and it seems to show up, as grass is getting green. The buds and leaves are coming out on the trees.

Oats are coming up, and several of the early farmers are planting corn on this 28th day of April, Which is rather early for this area. We could use a good rain, as it is getting rather dry on the top. We've had no moisture since the little snow blizzard of 2 weeks ago.

#### Harmony, Minnesota-Mrs. Chriss Stutzman

The first part of April was cool. The Temperature was 26 degrees one morning. We had around 3 inches snow the 3rd and again the 9th, but it was nearly all gone within a weeks time. The last half of the month was usually sunny and quite warm, with a few days up in the 80's. It has cooled off some again the last days. We had only a few light April showers in the beginning of the month. It was threatening to rain the last few days, but only sprinkled a little. Oats is being sowed and the women are busy making gardens.

#### Cashton, Wisconsin-Joe C. Borntreger

The weather in April was mostly chilly and very little rain fell. Oats sowing has started. Some sod has been plowed for corn. Hay fields are greening up and trees are budding. We had less snow than usual all winter. Interest rates are going up, money is getting tighter. It looks as if we may be starting into a depression.

The weather through March was mostly mild. The most snow we had at any one time was around 8 inches on the level, but that melted and most of it ran off due to frost in the ground. We didn't have a snow cover on the ground so it froze deeper than usual. The coldest we had all winter was around 14 degrees, only a few times. It usually warmed up again in a few days.

## Blair, Wisconsin-Mrs. Moses S. Miller

The first half of April was cold. We had snow on the 3rd, rainy and damp on the 6th, 7th, and 8th. It turned to snow on the 9th. It snowed several inches. The weather was cool enough that the snow stayed almost a week where it was the deepest. It turned warmer the 16th, and was unusually warm the 19th, 20th, 21st, and 22nd. It was as high as 90 in the daytime. The last week was cooler, but dry. We didn't have much rainfall for the whole month. The grass is slow from lack of moisture. There are a lot of forest fires from being so dry, Most of the oats has been sown. Some gardens are planted.

#### Branch County, Michigan-Mrs. Noah N. Schwartz

Weatherwise April has been pretty nice. It was up to 80 degrees and sunny the third week of April. On the fourth week it was wet and cool and saw an afternoon of snow. Lots of plowing is being done. Very little oats are sowed. Gardens are being filled.

#### Bronson, Michigan-Ora A. Graber

It was cold and wet the first part of the month and cold and dry for the latter part. In between we had a few warm days. On the 23rd we had a most beautiful snow with large flakes, but it melted as it hit the ground.

In general the vegetation is slow in coming and behind the average, although wheat looks nice and green. It looks like the farmers in the area are feeling the pinch of inflation. Many farms are up for sale, but no one seems to be able to buy. The money stores (bank) which most people are dependent on nowadays are not so freely handing out loans.

#### Lucknow, Ontario-Barbara Gingerich

March came in cold iear until the 4th and stayed mild to the 10th. The 11th we had a said snow storm, but it cleared off in the evening. The rest of the week it was snowy at times and it stayed colder again until the 17th when we had an all day and night rain. The rest of the month was mild, the highest at 58 degrees. Quite a

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# T. T. van Sittert's Apology for the Anabaptist — Mennonite Tradition, 1664

Translated and edited by J. C. Wenger

#### **EDITORS NOTE**

This apology is an Anhang to confession of faith in our most used prayer book Ernsthafte Christenpflicht. In the Lancaster edition it

begins on page 155 and goes through page 194.

It is likely the least read part of our prayer book, in fact most users of the book may have never noticed it. The purpose of publishing this section of the prayer book in english, (which is contrary to the policy of the Diary to print our devotionals in English) is to call the attention to our readers of this very worthful portion, and hereby plead to our readers to read and compare this edition to the german in our book to become well aquainted with it in german. If we read this part enough to a good understanding of it, we are, much better, able to understand the early Anabaptist church principles, also understand better why the church accepted the Dortrect confession whereby we get a deeper meaning of the articles that follow. Perhaps it would be well for all of us to read, at least a part of it, every time before we read the articles.

The first paragraph is a foreword. The 2nd, a decline of Apostolic Christianity. The 3rd Reformation inanguration, 4th issue of infant baptism, 5th the oaths, 6th nonresistance, 7th rise of Anabaptism, 8th persecution, 9th Believers baptism a heresy?, 10th Prosperity and decline, 11th Reunification, 12th Publication of the Dortrect Confession, 13the Muenster Revolution, 14th Left Wing of the Reformation, 15th Our Subjection to the authorities, 16th Plea for Toleration, 17th Conclusion.

Rev. John C. Wenger states in his introduction that T. T. van Sittert was an elder of Conservative Dutch Mennonites. Shortly before his death, he published the Dortrect confessions in the german language and this appendix (anhang) to it and added some prayers by Leenaedt Clock, the author of our Lob Lied. According to Wenger it has since been reprinted seven times in Europe and a few American reprints exist. The first Ernsthafte Christenpflicht was printed in the Palatinate in 1739 and in America in 1745. A lone English printing (1967) omits the van Sittert Appendix.

We learn from the early Alms books in America that occasionally a sum of the Alms went for bät bucher, both in Berks and Lancaster Counties around 1770. Very likely it was the new American Christenpflicht that was purchased then and have been in continuous

use in our church until today.

Note that there is a printing error in the Lancaster books of the date to the Dortrect confession. It should read 1632 instead of 1623. We have not traced back how long the error stands, but some printer along the line mistakenly turned about the digits 2 and 3. The Martyrs Mirrow and all the other authorities agree on the date being

J. C. Wenger maintains that the book is now mostly read by the Amish.

Every Christian who is familiar with the Word of God knows well enough that the truth and foundation of the faith are not based and established on human beings and their witness, but alone upon God and His witnesses (Matt. 16:18; 17:15; Eph. 2:20; I Pet. 1:17, 2:1-25). The Lord Jesus, for example, made this unambiguously clear in the Gospel of John (Chap. 5), where He really appealed expressly to the witness of His Father. It is also fitting for every Christian to know with assurance

# A History of the Anabaptists in Switzerland

By Henry S. Burrage

The affairs of Switzerland occupy a very small space in the great chart of European history. But in some respects they are more interesting than the revolutions of mighty kingdoms. Nowhere besides do we find so many titles to our sympathy, or the union of so much virtue with so complete success.

-Hallam, Middle Ages, II. 108.

Unstreitig verdienen die Kämpfe, welche die Züricher Wiedertäufer zur Reformationszeit veranlasst haben, auch heute noch gewürdigt zu werden.

- Egli, Die Züricher Wiedertäufer, s. 91

Sie sehen sich, ein kleines Häuflein, der ganzen feindlichen Welt gegenüber, aber in der Zuversicht, die Wahrheit zu besitzen, verachten sie die furchtsamen Ausleger des Wortes Gottes, die nicht gedenken dass Gott heute wie gestern sei, und verklaren ihre Aussicht auf Angst und Noth durch den Hinblick auf Christus und die Apostel, die auf demselben Weg der Leiden ihnen zur Herrlichkeit vorangegangen. -Cornelius, Geschichte des Münsterischen Aufruhrs, s. II. 24.

#### CHAPTER I

## Switzerland in the Sixteenth Century

At the opening of the sixteenth century the Swiss Confederation comprised thirteen cantons. Of these, Schwytz, Uri, and Unterwalden formed a league as early as 1291. This league was renewed in 1305, the time to which the Tell-legend is assigned, and was confirmed as a perpetual Conferderation in 1318, after the decisive battle of Morgarten, the Thermopylae of Switzerland, in which the Austrians, under Duke Leopold, were signally defeated, and the Duke narrowly escaped the vengeance of the hardy mountaineers whom he had contemptuously assailed in their rocky fastnesses. In 1332, Lucerne joined the Confederation, which was now known as the Four Forest Cantons (Vierwaldstatte), a name which is still preserved in that of and to keep in mind that, speaking with regard to the worthiness of the faith, it is not a question of how long ago or how recently it has been known in a country or city, and by its inhabitants, or whether it is accepted and adopted, or opposed and condemned, by few or by many. What really matters is whether a faith is found in the Word of God and whether it conforms to the truth of Holy Scripture as found in the canonical books of the Old and New Testaments (Luke 2:34; John 1:10, 11, 12; Acts 2:12; 26:8, 9, 28; 28:22, 23, 24).

For this reason it does not seem particularly important to make many citations from historians and theologians, but rather from the Apostles, the writers of the Gospels, and the Prophets, in order to set forth when, where, and through whom our faith or reformation had its origin, by whom it was professed and promoted, who agreed with it and accepted it, or who otherwise favored it or not.

However, in order that no one through our negligence or silence may receive the erroneous impression that our Confession of Faith here presented in German (namely that of the nonresistant and nonavenging Christianity, commonly known in our country as Mennonites or Taufgesinnte) is something new or strange and hitherto quite unknown, let it be noted that a number of years ago it was published both in French and in Dutch. In a number of regions to be sure, through error and ignorance and even through malice and hatred, some have even questioned whether we are to be recognized or counted among the Protestants, the Reformed and Evangelical Christians. They therefore thought that we were not to be tolerated or endured, but deserved disgrace, insults, and hardship-even to be regarded as a nonentity!

To counteract such error it was thought useful, as is set forth in the preface to the foregoing Confession, to repeat and cite some of the many trustworthy witnesses, well-known for a long time, and to add this Appendix, in lieu of a philosophical justification (deduction), for the instruction and admonition of the good-hearted, truth-loving reader regarding the true state of affairs relating to our faith and its reformation. For this Appendix was adopted and published to thoroughly set forth the Confession.

We appeal to and exhort the reader with Christian friendliness to study the Confession not only without ill will and with diligence, but also without prejudice, and in Christian love to evaluate it graciously. Do not take it ill of us, but pay careful attention to it for the advancement of our common welfare and the promotion of mutual Christian love. Farewell.

## [DECLINE OF APOSTOLIC CHRISTIANITY]

God's gracious and perfect will, favor, and peace, brought and revealed to us through Jesus Christ His Son when He came into the world, gloriously illuminated for a time the hearts of many people through the canonical books of Holy Scripture-through their perusal-by the grace of His Spirit through faith. In and through Him He knocked at the door of their hearts to awaken them, to open their eyes, to enable them to rise from their spiritual slumber, and to set them on the way of peace and eternal salvation. But when through the corruption of these last times the reading of Holy Scripture slipped away from the greater portion of the Christian world, the outcome was that Christendom once more sank down into the deep sleep of ignorance of the Holy Gospels. People were lost in thick darkness and blindness, and found satisfaction in the husks of superstitious forms of worship. Most of the shepherds went astray, the sheep were scattered, governments allowed themselves to be dominated by the clergy, and as the blind led the blind, both fell into the ditch. At times, to be sure, a light was seen to arise in various regions of the world, but the darkness could not endure it, so it was quickly extinguished by

the beautiful lake which is bounded by them, and is known as the Lake of the Four Forest Cantons [Vierwaldstatte], a name which is still preserved in that of the beautiful lake which is bounded by. them, and is known as the Lake of the Four Forest Cantons [Vierwaldstatter-

Zurich was added to the Confederation in 1351, Glarus and Zug in 1352, and Berne in 1353. For more than one hundred years after the admission of Berne no other cantons were received into the Confederation; and until the close of the last century these original eight cantons enjoyed many privileges not shared by the later members of the Confederation.

In 1481, Freiburg and Soleure were added. In 1498, the Emperor Maximilian endeavored to bring the Confederation under the power of the Empire for the purpose of securing the aid of the Swiss in his projected advance into Italy. But the Swiss did not favor his design, and in the war that followed, in which the Tyrolese subjects of Maximilian and the Swabian League bore the brunt, the Swiss were victorious; and in the following year, for faithful service during the war, Basel and Schaffhausen were added to the Confederation. They were followed by Appenzell in 1513. Thus at the opening of the sixteenth century Switzerland was a free country, a Confederation of thirteen Cantons owing allegiance neither to the German Empire nor to individual lords. Upon the banner which the Confederates bore was inscribed the motto: "Each for all, and all for each.'

But in their religious affairs the free spirit of the people had not been so strikingly illustrated. It was in the early part of the seventh century that the first efforts were made to convert to Christianity the pagan inhabitants to these mountainous wilds. Columban, an Irish monk from the monastery of Bangor, after a score of years of Christian labor in the Frankish Empire, established himself in 610 in the present territory of Zurich, near Tuggen, on the Limmat, in the hope of bringing the Allemani or Suevi of that region under the power of the gospel of Christ. But his efforts were in vain. The people compelled Columban to withdraw, and with his companions he took refuge in a castle named Arbon, on the southern shore of Lake Constance. A second attempt was made

#### [REFORMATION INAUGURATED]

But when it again pleased our merciful God to kindle various great lights who translated the Holy Scripture into the vernacular, it was read with such devotion and enthusiasm by the seekers after God that many thousands of souls who loved Him were spiritually awakened and were moved to drink to their salvation from the living fountain of the Word.

Not the least of these lights was Dr. Martin Luther (who devoted enormous energy to the Reformation and to the task of translating Holy Scripture), Ulrich Zwingli, Conrad Grebel, Felix Mantz, Dr. Balthasar Hubmaier, Michael Sattler, George Blaurock, Dr.[!] Leonard Keyser, Oecolampad, Bucer, Philipp Melanchthon, John Calvin, Sebastian Castellio,

and still others in South Germany (Hoch Deutschland), as well as Menno Simons, Dietrich Philips, and others, in the Netherlands.

#### 4 [Issue of Infant Baptism]

Now although all these with one accord sought to place the candle on the candlestick and to deliver the world from its darkness, yet there developed among them dissimilar understandings and interpretations of various Scriptures, not only on common doctrinal items but especially on the proper administration and practice of holy baptism. It is not to be disputed that Zwingli had a conference and discussion with Dr. Balthasar Hubmaier in 1523, along the Hirschengraben in Zürich.<sup>2</sup> On that occasion Zwingli conceded that one should not baptize the little children before they grew up and came to a suitable age. He gave his word that he would announce this and provide instruction on the subject, which he fulfilled in the eighteenth article, on confirmation, in his book. Also, Oecolampad, Sebastian Hofmeister, and Cellarius acknowledged to Dr. Hubmaier in a letter that infant baptism is not based on Holy Scripture. Furthermore, the clergy at Strassburg (including Wolfgang Capito, Caspar Hedio, Matthew Zell, Symphorian Pollio, Theobald Niger, John Latomius, Anthony Firn, Matthew Hackli, and Martin Bucer) acknowledged in their booklet on the foundation and basis (Grund und Ursach, p. 1) that in the primitive Christian Church no one was received as a member unless he yielded fully to the Word of Christ.

Zwingli also held a conference with his contemporaries Conrad Grebel and Felix Mantz on the subject of baptism but they could not come to consensus; but nevertheless, with the greater portion of the abovementioned well-educated men, and others as well, he retained many papal rites (Gebräuchen), acknowledging and defending such items as infant baptism,<sup>3</sup> the swearing of oaths, and the bearing of arms.

## THE OATH

Since even apart from Holy Scripture a number of trustworthy and admirable witnesses against infant baptism have been presented, we will also present several witnesses against the oath. The Christians of the

2 The German reads "zu Zürich auff dem Graaf." In Leonhard von Muralt and Walter Schmid, eds., Zürich, Quellen zur Geschichte der Täufer in der Schweiz, I (Zürich: S. Hirzel Verlag, 1952), 195, in the report of the hearing given Hubmaier, it was reported by Hubmaier that he and Zwingli talked with one another "uff den grabenn." Dr. Paul Guter, Zürich Stadtarchivar, called my attention to this, and explained that the two Reformers took a stroll along Hirschengraben Street. This was not far from Zwingli's residence on Kirchgasse. JCW

near the ruins of an ancient castle, known as Pregentia (Bregenz), at the eastern end of the lake. Here a church was erected and missionary labor was commenced. But the hostile pagans at length drove Columban from this place also; and in 613 he made his way into Italy, where he founded the monastery of Bobbio, near Pavia.

One of his disciples, however, an Irish monk by the name of Gallus, was left behind on account of sickness. After his recovery, instead of following Columban into Italy, he resolved to make an added effort for the conversion of the Pagans, whose condition had so deeply stirred his heart. Leaving the castle at Arbon he advanced a day's journey into the wilderness, and came to a spot where he said, "Here will I abide." Upon that spot he erected a monastery, which subsequently received his name, and from which went forth the missionaries who led the ignorant people to renounce their idol worship, and accept the Christian faith. Gallus closed his long and useful life in 640, but the work which he had commenced was carried forward by his disciples, who, inspired by his example, established other centres of religious influence, until at length the whole country was brought under the dominion of the Roman Church.

This hold upon these hardy mountaineers the Roman Church retained at the opening of the sixteenth century. At that time, however, there were influences in operation that soon loosened that hold in some of the Cantons of Switzerland, and prepared the way for the Protestant Reformation.

Among these, first of all, was the revival of classical learning. Everywhere the students in the universities caught the spirit of the new era, and so intense was the interest manifested in the study of the humanities, that the scholastic philosphy and theology were more and more neglected. The University at Basel, which was founded by Pius II. in 1459, was at first strongly under the influence of the hierarchical spirit; but in this revival of classical learning the authorities of the University found it impossible to continue strictly in the old paths. Instruction in the Greek language and literature was give by Andronicus Contoblikas, a learned Greek, possibly one of the many Greek scholars who, in 1453,

<sup>3</sup> Because we do not baptize children but only those who have come to years, and according to the commandment of the Lord have asked for baptism, we have to bear the contemptible name of Anabaptists [Wiedertäufer]. On the other hand the Zwinglians retained infant baptism and other ceremonies of the papacy; they are nonetheless designated as the "Reformed." At this point we defer to the impartial judgment of the reader as to which of us is closer to the truth, who has best reformed and really deserves the name "Reformed." (Footnote on p. 114 of original).

primitive Christian Church preferred to die rather than to swear an oath, as appears in the case of Basilides. When he was asked why he would not swear, he replied: "Because I am a Christian it is not appropriate for me to swear." Further, Caesar Barronius writes that the Albigenses refused to swear an oath. And in the historical accounts of John Huss and Jerome of Prague one reads how John Wyclif, when pressed hard to swear an oath, was compelled by conscience to speak thus: "I am thoroughly terrified; for if I swear I will be liable to eternal death, but if I do not swear I will certainly not escape from your hands. Nevertheless it seems better to me to fall into your hands without sinning than to sin before the face of God."

Also the famous Erasmus of Rotterdam, in his exposition of Matthew 5 and James 5, completely rejects (abschneidet) the oath for Christians. It is indeed wholly clear that all these men support our position and doctrine, and hold that the Christians' Yea shall be Yea, and Nay, Nay, and that they must stand by their word as absolutely as though bound by the strongest oath.

#### [Nonresistance]

Following these testimonies against the oath we will also assemble a number of witnesses on the use or misuse of carnal weapons. These weapons are by the just judgment of God one of the three suppressive measures which He has entrusted to the nations because of the manifold and severe sins which people commit against each other. Is it therefore not highly necessary that all well-intentioned Christians ponder deeply and consider in their hearts (to avert such calamity and penalty) whether it would not be best and safest to have only an aversion for such weapons which occasion such dreadful misery and ruin for mankind, especially in view of the fact that all people are created in the image of God, and so dearly ransomed through the blood of Christ, so that those who believe on Him are redeemed from eternal curse and condemnation? This is without doubt why so many outstanding men have with a deep conviction, based on Holy Scripture, held to the same position as we-namely that it is utterly inappropriate for an orthodox (rechtgläubig) Christian to participate in warfare or to bear arms. Of many witnesses we will note only a few. When Celsus [of the second century] for a time ridiculed and belittled the gospel because in it warfare was forbidden and abolished, he was answered by Origen, who stated that the "sword" of Christians was to pray (bitten) for the rulers (Gewaltigen) of the world. (See his tract on the Nature of Christ's Kingdom, fol. 85.) In this same vein Jacob Strauss wrote in the 35th of his 51 Major Articles of Christian Doctrine (Eisenach, 1523): "Be on your guard, pious Christians, that you do not oppose and quell force with force." And in the 36th: "You have no other defense or weapon than

the Word of God." And it is clear that in the beginning of the Reformation the famous and highly-learned Luther also held to this understanding and interpretation. In a booklet printed at Wittenberg in 1520 setting forth Thirty Reasons why he burned the Pope's books, No. 22 reads thus: "Because the Pope teaches that one may meet force with force." Likewise he wrote in another booklet (published in Wittenberg, 1522) concerning the words of Christ that one should not resist evil (Matt. 5): "To him who strikes you on the one cheek, offer the other also." And on Romans 12: "Avenge not yourselves!" (The Sorbonne scholars held that these and other quotations revealed that Luther was a heretic!)

Since then, there are so many trustworthy witnesses to the doctrine of nonvengeance (rachlose Lehr) of our Lord Jesus standing before us,

when Constantinople fell into the hands of the Turks, were obliged to make their way to other lands. In 1474. Reuchlin, afterwards the instructor of Melanchthon, came to Basel. He was then twenty years of age, and with enthusiasm, under the guidance of Contoblikas, he entered upon the study of the Greek and Latin classics. Two years later, at the suggestion of Contoblikas, Reuchlin began to give instruction in Greek and Latin Grammar, and also to expound some of the Greek and Latin authors. Crowds of students gathered around him, and the interest in classical studies was greatly increased. It was not long before the representatives of scholasticism in the University assailed Reuchlin, charging him, in giving instruction in the classical languages and literature, with undermining Christianity. Indeed, so strong was the hostility which was manifested toward Reuchlin, that he was compelled to leave Basel in 1479, and for awhile the spirit of the new era was excluded from the University.

In 1502, however, Thomas Wittenbach was added to the faculty of the University as professor of theology. He had studied at Tübingen, and understood the value of the revival of classical learning in connection with his department. He was accustomed to say to his students that the time was not far distant when the scholastic theology would be set aside, and the old teachings of the church, as laid down in the writings of the church Fathers and in the Scriptures, would reappear. In his teaching he boldly assailed many abuses in the administration of the sacraments, and attacked indulgences. Indeed, on one occasion in a public discussion, he defended the proposition that papal indulgences have no value, and that the death of Christ is the only adequate ransom for the sins of men. Zwingli, who in 1502 came to Basel as a teacher of the classics in St. Thomas parish school, became interested in the new professor, and learned from him lessons which, at a later period, bore such abundant fruit in his reformatory work.

But of unspeakable importance to the new movement in Switzerland was the presence at Basel of Erasmus, who came thither in 1514, at the height of his splendid fame in order to carry through the press the first edition of the Greek New Testament. The friends of classical learning at once gathered

<sup>4</sup> Sebastian Franck, Ketzer-Chronik, Dutch edition, 1536, fol. 105. 1595 edition, fol. 89.

many people who fear God and know His Word (Schriftverständigen) are simply amazed that so many gifted, intelligent, and excellent men have nevertheless remained in such papal practices, and indeed (which is no less to be lamented) that the people in spite of being taught and of having seen the brilliant light of the gospel have made so little change in practices or improvement in living. Through the reading of Holy Scripture they received comfort and satisfaction, and they perceived that they could not attain comfort, health, and salvation in superstitious worship practices but alone in the death, sacrifice, atonement, and satisfaction of Jesus Christ. But they failed to realize to what they were obligated and bound through such knowledge of the good work of Christ, and that apart from meeting the conditions of salvation established by the Lord Jesus a knowledge of Christ's temptation, suffering, death, resurrection, and triumphant ascension would be of little value.

#### [RISE OF ANABAPTISM]

As they deeply pondered these truths, the aforementioned persons strove most diligently not only to teach and illuminate for the people the plan of salvation, and the use of scriptural ceremonies according to the institution of their Master Jesus Christ and the example of the apostles, but also above everything else to reform their lives. Among these leaders were Conrad Grebel, Felix Mantz, George Blaurock, and the blameless and deeply pious George Wagner, as Sebastian Franck describes him,5 together with the brave Leonard Keyser-whom, as Franck testifies, the executioner was unable to burn at the stake-as well as others in Germany, along with Menno Simons and his colleagues in the Netherlands. These men sought to instruct and to enlighten the people not only in the articles necessary for salvation and scripturally based observance of ceremonies, and to teach them in accord with their institution by their Master Jesus Christ and the example of the apostles, but above all to reform their lives. And so they sought earnestly, according to the proper sense of Scripture, as

5 In his book on the Roman heretics, Dutch edition, 1595, fol. 99.

they understood it, to invest their pound well and to bring to the Lord Christ the greatest possible gain.

#### [PERSECUTION]

But these earnest witnesses (ernstliche Eiferer) had for the most part only a short time to sow the seed of the Holy Gospel as it deserved and to make it known among the people who were in darkness (verfinsterten). For as they followed the example of their Master Christ and of the primitive church, they had to propagate its teachings without the approval and protection of the government; they were suppressed by those who hated the truth as soon as people saw the light issuing from them. Consequently they drowned Felix Mantz in Zürich in 1526 [1527, New Style]. Michael Sattler [was destroyed] at Binsdorf,6 George Wagner at Munich, and Leonard Keyser was cut to pieces at Scherdijn<sup>7</sup> in Bavaria under the Bishop of Passau in 1527. And although Franck reports that Leonard Keyser was burned, as a matter of fact they were unable to burn him to ashes. For although they attempted repeatedly to burn his body, they finally had to chop him in pieces and dump them into the [River] Inn. All these perished in 1527, but George Blaurock was burned at Claussen in 1529, and Dr. Balthaser Hubmaier at Vienna in 1542 [1528], while Hubmaier's wife was drowned. Likewise the zealous Thomas Herman, along with many other outstanding persons of South Germany (Hochdeutschland), had to wear the martyr's crown. All this is recorded as one may read at length, in the History of the Nonresistant Martyrs, Who Testified against Infant Baptism through the Centuries from the Time of Christ until the

around him. His frequent references to the Scriptures, as the foundation to which theology must return, attracted to him the most distinguished of the theologians in Basel, among them Dr. Ludwig Ber, who confessed with sorrow that he had wasted so much of his strenght in scholastic instead of biblical studies, and commenced at once to make himself familiar with the Hebrew and Greek languages. Capito, who in 1515 was appointed professor of theology in the University, and soon after was made rector, also came under the influence of Erasmus, and in his exegetical lectures directed his students to the Scriptures as the source of divine knowledge.

The press greatly aided in the new movement. Among the first books published in Basel were the Latin Vulgate, and the writings of the scholastic theologians, Peter Lombard, Thomas Aquinas, and others. The philosophical works of Aristotle, Petrarch, and Reuchlin followed. A Hebrew grammar, by Pellican, was printed in 1503. Later, in 1516, from the press of the celebrated publisher Froben, appeared the edition of the Greek Testament which Erasmus had prepared, and which could not fail among the learned to direct the minds of those who were in search of the truth to the inspired word of God.

But while these influences were such as to loosen the hold which the Papal Church had upon a people over which it had long exercised an almost imperial sway, other influences were even more potent in effecting this result. In the fifteenth century Swiss soldiers, who had learned the arts of war and proved their valor in the long struggle for independence in which they had been engaged, were hired to fight the battles of the Pope upon the plains of Italy. In these campaigns they were brought face to face with the corruptions which at that time charactcrized the Papacy, alike in head and members; and on their return to their native mountain valleys, they brought with them, not only such proverbs as, "The nearer Rome, the worse the Christian," and "He who goes to Rome should leave his religion behind him," but also such reports of the notorious profligacy of those who occupied the highest positions in the Roman See as could not but lessen the reverence of the people for those whose spiritual rule they had so long acknowledged.

Present Year of 1660 [the Martyrs Mirror] (printed in tolio by Jacob Saveris at Dordrecht, Holland).

Now although many Lutheran and Zwinglian Reformed were severely persecuted, yet the most bitter persecution was launched against us non-resistant Taufgesinnte-Reformed Christians because we stand outside the protection of the government, and because we deviate most sharply from the papal doctrine, and we had to suffer most of all because in the same era the revolution (Aufruhr) of Thomas Müntzer took place. Nevertheless, although Müntzer rejected infant baptism, yet he did not originate from us but from Luther's former fellow-preacher Carlstadt at Wittenberg and his fanatical colleagues. He also remained a leader in the use of arms; yea, a revolutionary and warmonger against the government (as set forth by Sleidanus in the Dutch edition of 1630, printed by Jan Everts Cloppenburg at Amsterdam, Book 3, folio 29, column 2; also as described at length in Books 4 and 5). The Roman clergy took advantage of a golden opportunity and, by giving them the odious name of "Anabaptists," sought to make the nonresistant Christians suspect first to Emperor Charles V and

then to his son, Philip II, and to bring them into disfavor with these rulers. These princes did not investigate very thoroughly the difference between the innocent nonresistants and the guilty revolutionaries (who had no connection with them), as was really their duty to do, just as in 1453 in his time the praiseworthy King of France, Louis XII, did, when the Roman clergy severely accused the Merindolanes and the Caprianes8 (remnants of the Waldenses) in regard to their religion. Thereupon9 the king as the father of his nation ordered that a thorough investigation be made by Mr. Adam Finneus, head of the Requesten, and by his fatherconfessor, M. Petit. And when he found these people, who had been falsely accused, to be good Christians in doctrine and in life he declared with an oath: "Verily this people is better than I and all my Catholics." This was indeed a worthier action than that which the aforementioned emperor and king did with us-for they trusted their clergy too much against us and too readily believed the charge they made because of our mode of worship and cried us down as heretics. Therefore the rulers easily applied and set in motion their bloody edicts, followed by dreadful persecution, with torture, burning, strangling, drowning, and beheading (reckoned as an act of mercy) carried out in a most inhuman manner, in order by this means to wipe out completely the pious, nonresistant sheep of Christ, along with the revolutionary evildoers-like Christ between the murderers. But it did not please God to allow their assault to succeed, for He guarded His flock—in the face of all the torture, so that from their blood and ashes His church should be built up as a [spiritual] seed.

## 9 [Believer's Baptism a Heresy?]

Now if anyone should think or suggest that these were not genuine martyrs because they were rightly put to death for disregarding infant baptism and for practicing the baptism of believers who have come to years, let him be pleased to read diligently the description of baptism by the learned H. Montanus in his little book entitled *The Invalidity (Nichtigheit) of Infant Baptism* (Dutch edition by Thomas Fonteyn, Haarlem, 1648), and the *History of Holy Baptism* by Jacob Mehrning (written 1646, 1647, and issued in High German by the late Andrew Wächter and Heirs, Dortmund). In both volumes infant baptism is rejected, and the baptism of believers who have come to years is thoroughly and fully demonstrated.

Nor was the character of the Swiss clergy such as to make these reports in any way seem improbable. Some of the parish priests were Italians, favorites of Roman ecclesiastics, soldiers of the Papal guard even, who had been assigned to positions in the churches of Switzerland for the sake of the revenue which these positions afforded. The immorality of these foreigners was as conspicuous as their cupidity. Among the native parish priests, also, a low state of morals seems to have been the rule. Zwingli, in 1522, with some of his friends, addressed a letter to the Bishop of Constance, and another to the chief officials in the Confederation, asking permission for priests to marry. In the latter he said: "Your lordships have seen already how shameful have been our relations with women- for we will speak only of ourselves - how these have been the scandal and disgrace of many. Of the ten who joined Zwingli in this appeal three had already been married without the sanction of the church, and were living, as was the case with many other parish priests, with their wives in open violation of the rule of the Roman Church. It was the custom of the Bishop of Constance to absolve these priests on the payment of a fine of four guldens for every child born to them. In 1522, he increased this fine from four to five guldens, and his revenue from this source alone is said to have been 7,500 guldens.

Indeed, the bishops, for the most part, were more intent on securing the perishable possessions of earth than the everlasting treasures of heaven. They mingled in political affairs, and the duties which they owed to foreign princes and to the Confederation not unfrequently clashed. Indeed, so accustomed were the people to see these dignitaries of the church censured at the Diet, slain in the field, and banished from the land as disturbers of the peace, that public opinion in reference to the sanctity and inviolability of their office was greatly diminish-

For letters they cared but little, and this indifference was even greater on the part of the lower clergy. The canons of the collegiate church at Zurich, in forwarding a report to the Bishop of Constance, said, as a reason why they themselves did not prepare the document, that some of them were unable to write. Bullinger says that at a meeting of all the deans in Switzerland

<sup>6</sup> His place of imprisonment before his trial and martyrdom. His actual execution took place at Rottenburg. JCW

<sup>7 &</sup>quot;Schärding" is the German spelling. JCW

As we turn now to Menno Simons and Dietrich Philips, in the Netherlands and in Prussia [respectively], these and others demanded non-

8 Prof. Valdo Vinay of the Waldensian Seminary in Rome informs me that Mérindol and Cabrières were two towns in Provence, SE France, with a strong majority of Waldensian inhabitants. JCW

9 See the articles of Peace of Cologne, issued in print by order of the States of Holland in 1581, folio 39, in which treatise [Tractat] there are many splendia sentiments [Reden] relating to religion and freedom of conscience.

resistant doctrine and amendment of life just as earnestly as the [rulers] demanded their severe persecution, which they had but to endure, especially Menno-who nevertheless marvelously escaped the hands of the persecutors so many times. God worked mightily, just as through those in Germany, so now also through those here in the Netherlands and in Prussia, that many thriving congregations of nonresistant Christians arose. A trustworthy letter of 1557 from the South German (Oberländischen) congregations to those of the Netherlands, reports that from the Eiffel to Moravia there were probably fifty congregations, some having 500 or 600 brethren; also that at that time about fifty elders and ministers of the Divine Word, from a radius of 150 miles in the surrounding territories, assembled at Strassburg to review the condition of the congregations. One of the participants had undergone torture eleven times, but escaped with his faith intact. As such leaders (Vorsteher) of nonresistant Christianity ever more widely disseminated the truth, it was like a grain of mustard seed, so small in the beginning, and in spite of bloody persecution, and employing neither sword nor buckler, has now grown to such great height, as one can see by the many large congregations in Germany, Prussia, the duchy of Cleves, etc., and especially under the praiseworthy administration of the States of the United Netherlands.

But when the enemy, who hates everything good and is a disturber of peace and unity, observed how these congregations held firmly to the nonresistant teaching and example of their Master Christ, and that they were not deterred by any tyranny nor moved to avenge themselves, he sought by crafty means to prevent the spread of the gospel by sowing discord and disunity which led unfortunately to splintering and to great offense to other Christians, especially in the Netherlands.

#### [REUNIFICATION EFFORTS] 11

This occasioned such grief and sorrow of heart on the part of those who loved peace that they not only considered measures to heal the schism in the church and to achieve concord, but they also took the matter in hand and in 1591 achieved at Cologne a laudable union (Frieden) between the Upper German congregations and those of the Netherlands. The confession of faith and the articles of peace [of this convention] are still extant. And to still further remove the scandal those who loved peace held additional conferences in the years 1628 and 1630. Both parties first set forth their concerns in writing, and an assembly of elders and preachers was appointed to seek mutual understanding, to resolve the quarrels, and to heal the schism. And to bring about the desired fruit the appointed ministers of the Divine Word also assembled at Dordrecht in Holland in 1632, coming from many surrounding areas, and they decided that it would be advisable to compose a biblically-based confession of faith to which both sides would firmly adhere, and upon which the peace negotiations and union might be built and established. This plan

was successfully carried out, all hindrances were overcome, and the hopedfor peace was achieved and confirmed on April 21 of that year, thus putting the candle on the candlestick. Furthermore in 1639 the desired union of it was ascertained that not more than three could be found, who were familiar with the Bible. The others freely confessed that they had read only the New Testament with the rest of the clergy the case was still worse. The ignorance of many of the parish priests extended to the most elementary branches of education. They gave little attention to study, but devoted themselves chiefly to social pleasures. Of the clergy in the Valais, only one was found who had heard of the Bible.

A yet darker picture is presented when we turn to the numerous religious houses which in the preceding centuries had been established here and there within the limits of the Confederation. Not one of these preserved its ancient reputation for good morals and sound learning. In all of them there was not a man to be found who, in the impending conflict between the Papacy and the Reform party, could exert any influence whatever. Zurich, early in the eighteenth century, passed an order rebuking the immoralities of the monks, and forbidding their idling about the city, and especially in the nunneries. In Basel the Augustinians were in bad repute, while at Interlaken, at the close of the fifteenth century, it was found necessary to introduce monks from abroad, in order to improve the reputation of the brotherhood, while the nunnery was closed as if beyond improvement. The abbot Twinkler, of Cappel, expended vast sums of money for the maintenance of his love of display, and the concealment of his impure life: and he was at length deprived of his office as a wretched economist and a despot. In Wettingen the abbot, John Müller, craved the help of the Confederation, saying that he and his subordinates needed speedy reformation, not only for the salvation of their order, but of their own souls. A letter of the abbot, John of Craux, written in 1514, explains the decline of the monasteries on the ground of the immoral life of the monks, and the neglect of visitation. The nunneries were as little the abode of purity as the monasteries. A visitor to some of these nunneries said of that at Frauenthal: "I detest these nuns, and would not like to say what others tell me. Would that they were virtuous, faithful, honorable. They have desired my services as an inspector, because they know I am simple and easily deceived." At the nunnery at Gottstadt the nuns were so faithful to their vows

the Germans and the Flemish was publicly concluded in Amsterdam with praise and honor, both by the common people and by those of eminence, and set up as a banner for all peace-loving Christians; it gave off such a delightful fragrance that it greatly adorns nonresistant Christianity and gives it a glow.

#### 12 [Publication of the Dordrecht Confession]

In order that this affair may clarify to all what the Taufgesinnte Christians believe, confess, and teach on the basis of Holy Scripture, and to see the basis of the praiseworthy union, it was felt advisable to publish their confession of faith in printed form, and as a testimony to the truth of the document to append to it the names of the delegates of the several congregations. Later this confession was sent to the brotherhood in Alsace, to the Swiss refugees there who had fled thither from the Zürich district, and they unanimously approved and adopted it [1660] as their own. Still later at their request it was translated into High German and printed, to which the assembled elders and ministers of the Divine Word subscribed their names as a testimony to their unity.

This might have concluded the matter if investigation had not taught us how many people through lack of information and judgment, indeed by a lack of love (to our great sorrow and innocence), still continue to load us down with the whole shameful stain of the sedition and fanaticism of Thomas Müntzer and of other similar revolutionaries and wild religious agitators who appeared upon the scene at the time of the present Refor-

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#### [THE MUENSTER REVOLUTION]

Later, and when many fine congregations of the nonresistant Reformed Christians had been meeting in many locations, both openly and also secretly (because of the severe persecution) and so many excellent lights had been condemned to death because of this religion and swept away, the Münster madness also made its appearance in 1533 [1534 New Style], although it was not we who started it or completed it or carried it out, neither did we agree with it nor approve of it. Actually a number of inexperienced, simple people who had emerged from the dense darkness of Catholicism and seen a shimmering light, were, with John of Leiden, persuaded and induced by some Lutheran preachers to take up the sword; 10 the preachers in turn applauded John of Leiden for his usage of adult

#### [LEFT WING OF THE REFORMATION]

And now to return to the former topics, we assert that the Reformed,

that the government of Berne removed the immoral abbess.

It was this state of things, long continued, which aided in preparing the way for a revolt against the papal rule in Switzerland. There were two events, however, which occurred early in the sixteenth century that greatly aided in hastening this result. One of these was the attempt which was made by the Dominicans in Berne, in 1506, to impose upon the credulity of the people by a pretended miracle. At that time the Dominicans were not on friendly terms with the Franciscans on account of a difference of opinion in reference to the dogma of the immaculate conception, the Franciscans affirming, the Dominicans denying, this dogma. The popular feeling was with the Franciscans, and in consequence their revenues far exceeded those of their jealous rivals. This was not a pleasing thought to the Dominicans; and acting upon the principle that the end justifies the means, some of the most prominent of the brotherhood, including the prior, conceived a plan, by which they hoped to draw the attention of the community from the Franciscans to themselves.

John Jetzer, of Zurzach, a weak minded tailor, had asked to be received into the monastery as a lay brother. His request had hitherto been denied; but as it was now thought that he could be of service in the execution of the proposed plan, he was admitted to the brotherhood, and became an inmate of the monastery in Berne. The prior and his accomplices began at once to fill letzer's mind with terrors. One of the number, representing a soul from purgatory, appeared to the lay-brother in his cell, and asked his aid in securing deliverance from painful imprisonment. Subsequently, also at night, Jetzer received a visit from the Virgin Mary, who bestowed upon him three of the Saviour's tears, as many drops of his blood, and a letter addressed to Pope Julius II., who, it was said, had been selected to abolish the festival of the immaculate conception. To the bewildered mind of the lay-brother these were tokens of distinguished favor, but he was told that far greater honors were in store for him; and the pretended Virgin, approaching Jetzer's bed in order to make upon his body the five wounds of the Saviour, the distinguishing marks of a saint, took his hand and pierced it

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<sup>10</sup> Consult here Onnoselheits Peyl, i.e., Thorough Investigation of the Innocence of the Münster Disaster, in print. Here Sleidanus, Guy de Bres, Henry Bullinger, and Henry Dorp stand in contrast with the reliable authors who are Bernt Rothmann, Henry Roll, Gottfried Stroll, and Herman Stapred—all of them Lutheran preachers who stirred up and occasioned this revolution.

baptism and rejection of infant baptism. Then they filled everything with prophetic dreams, yea, each released the other from his conscience—so that they might set up the kingdom of Christ with the sword and with force and compulsion. And so the affair ended miserably. It was also a consequence of the destruction and devastation of the Hussites by which they hoped to avenge the death of the martyr John Huss and their own suffering and to propagate his doctrine (about a hundred years before Münster) and thereby set in motion such a strange action that these two tragedies will stand as lasting monuments to the world—especially so because the histories relate them in detail—to serve as a warning to subsequent generations as to what tragedy such improper vindictiveness, perverted zeal, and prophetic dreaming set in motion—under the pretext of advancing the doctrine of Christ.

who are one with the Catholics in still baptizing infants, swearing oaths, and bearing arms, do not want to be classed with the Catholics or be compared with them, just because they hold these practices in common. In precisely the same way, it is not right to place, count, and reckon us among the erroneous spirits of Münster even if they, like us, rejected infant baptism and advocated the baptism of believers. For although the Zwinglians and the Lutherans, both Reformed bodies, still maintain some practices in common with the Catholics, yet we bear them witness that they have thoroughly rejected the superstitious traditions of Catholicism, and we gladly honor them for having in many matters effected an excellent reformation, and thereby set up a bright light before the world. It is our own conviction, however, that in some points we have effected a somewhat better reformation than they, and are closer to the truth than they. For this reason it would be fitting for all other well-intentioned Reformed (we say this with the respect we owe them) to recognize our innocence, also to remove from us the charge of the abominable fanaticism and errors of the Münsterites, to free us completely of such a charge, even though they believe that in some points they are better reformed and closer to the truth than we. There is all the more reason to dissociate us from the Münsterites in view of the publication of our confession of faith many years ago [1632], and the observation of the practice of our confession, so that it is sufficiently evident to the Reformed and to the whole world (at least they have heard) that we do not want to be associated with the Münsterites. This is also clearly seen at this time in the group that has arisen in England out of the Protestant movement [the Baptists] which, although still in agreement with the Reformed on many points, practices as do we the baptism of adults rather than infants. Yet, contrary to our convictions, they seek to establish the kingdom of Christ with the sword, whereas not only we, but many learned and God-fearing persons

with a good understanding of the Scriptures, hold that Christ's kingdom can be advanced only by His Holy Word and by doctrine which conforms to it, together with the examples of a holy life in spirit and in faith-without any outward force or compulsion. Therefore we cannot in any manner adapt ourselves to such, nor can we have fellowship with them. Many of the Reformed in this land agree with us and grant the point; they exonerate us of the undeserved shame which has been heaped upon us. They know well that it is one of the major articles of our faith that without the support of any worldly power or the use of carnal weapons of defense we must preach Christ the Lord, and follow Him in a nonresistant manner. To be sure, we must like the first Christian Church (which was built in spite of dreadful and cruel persecution and tyranny) endure all sorts of crosses, persecution, and distress, just as our own people, in all ages had to suffer, but without practicing the slightest vindictiveness or under any pretext rising up against our government. For from the New Testament we can derive no other doctrine than that the Lord Christ taught, and walked before us as a pattern, that we must absolutely abstain and desist from all vengeance.

#### [Our Subjection to the Authorities]

Now if anyone should erroneously conclude from our teaching that we reject the office of government, or despise or minimize it, let him know that we earnestly testify against such attitudes. For we confess freely that government is ordained of God, and is therefore designated as "a minister of God" [Rom. 13:4, German Bible], ordained to punish those who do evil, and to protect the pious—according to St. Paul's teaching and witness in Romans 13.

Although we find in the New Testament no express laws and no example of how government is to be operated, as in the Old Testament,

with a sharp nail. Jetzer shrieked and made so much disturbance that the completion of the work was necessarily postponed. On the following night a soporific was administered to him, and he soon had the full number of wounds with which St. Francis and other saints had been honored. As he awoke from his stupor the monks crowded around him, looked upon the miraculous wounds, and greeted Jetzer as highly favored of heaven. Then they bore him to a large room in the monastery which was hung with pictures of the sufferings of Christ. Gazing upon these vivid representations, Jetzer became excited to a still greater degree. He wrung his hands as if he were in the agonies of Gethsemane, bowed his head as if oppressed by the crown of thorns, and sank to the floor as one overpowered in the conflict of death. At times the monks threw open the doors, and the people, attracted by reports of the miracle, crowded the monastery, and gazed upon the wonderful spectacle which Jetzer presented. "See," they said, "he is suffering the Cross of Christ;" while the monks called the attention of the astonished multitude to the favor thus shown to the Dominican order.

The Franciscans were greatly humiliated by this triumph of their rivals; and thus far the Dominican plot was a glorious success. But the triumph of the Dominicans was of brief duration. The imposture was detected by the credulous Jetzer. The Virgin again manifested herself to him, and in her voice Jetzer recognized the voice of his confessor. On the following night the prior took the confessor's place, and he, too, was detected; also the subprior in the role of Catharine of Sienna. The monks, unwilling to lose their hold upon Jetzer, made additional efforts to deceive him; but skillful as they were in their endeavors, Jetzer's suspicions were now aroused, and he at length was satisfied that he had been imposed upon as before. The monks now sought to get rid of him by means of poison, but Jetzer discovered the plot, and having made his escape from the monastery, he revealed the facts concerning the pretended miracle. In an investigation that followed Jetzer was subjected to the rack, but he told the same story as before: and the four monks who had been most conspicuous in the affair, having been convicted of fraud, were sentenced to death and

nor how the secular rulers should manage their great and weighty matters, we cannot see that they are being governed according to the divine law of the Old Testament. But in most places governments follow the laws, regulations, and customs instituted and established by emperors, kings, and high officials and lords, according to their discretion (being also quite diverse from one another both in form and content). Yet it is proper and becoming for an upright Christian gladly to be small and insignificant in this world and to avoid becoming exalted, and to place and keep himself equal to the lowly. We therefore-also because of the manifold encumbrances involved-feel much too small and inept to undertake to serve in such offices or to administer them. Yet we do wish nevertheless to assert, and always to strive to demonstrate, that we recognize government as ordained of God, and therefore to hold it in high rank and honor-as it is written, "His work is worthy of praise and honor," or as others render it, "What He ordains is praiseworthy and splendid," Psalm 111 (3). Therefore we do not condemn anyone in our hearts, or judge him to be lost, just

because he holds office—provided that he holds to the Christian faith and serves in an upright manner.

It is therefore evident and clear that we for conscience' sake feel constrained and obligated before God—together with all our fellow-be-lievers, regardless of where they dwell, and under what government they may live (as is indeed our practice)—cordially and earnestly to admonish them to show proper respect and reverence to government, and every honor, as is proper for faithful and submissive subjects, with all sincerity, fidelity, and obedience—as taught in the Holy Gospel: to render in deed, and to follow one's Christian calling and obligation as set forth in the doctrine of Paul as mentioned above: to pay whatever taxes are laid upon us—tolls, excise levies, convoy or protection charges—faithfully and willing-ly, without deception or curtailment—to pay it all.

This is what our Lord and Teacher commands: "Render to Caesar the things which are Caesar's" (Matt. 22). And beyond this, that everyone shall pray, not only in the meeting or congregational preaching services, but also at every opportunity, day or night, with devout and fervent petitions to remember the rulers before God that in His divine majesty He may graciously overlook and forgive all their mistakes and violations committed unknowingly or in human weakness and ineptitude; also that He may protect and guard them and their land and people from all harm, revolution, attacks, and the cunning, dangerous assaults of their enemies; also to endow them with such wisdom and understanding, prudence and perception, as are useful, beneficial and necessary for themselves, their families, and their subjects and inhabitants, that they may thus with good conscience so rule as to please both God the righteous Judge and the Lord of all lords, to whom they are responsible, and His holy angels, and also all God-fearing and pious people, and that finally after this life they with us, and we with them, may by grace through Christ be preserved and saved eternally.

It is becoming and appropriate that we should conduct ourselves in all matters and circumstances with a good conscience in relation to our governmental authorities (as is proper for sincere Christians, for good and peaceful subjects and pious citizens and inhabitants) yes, toward all men, so that everyone may recognize of whose spirit we are children, and so that our confession of faith may not only be read in the preceding few words but also in our honest lives and Christian moderation, in our becoming behavior, and in the practice of these virtues, in order that a great light, worthy of and conforming to the Christian name, may be lit and set on the candlestick—yes, in every respect reflecting the teaching of our Redeemer: "Let your light so shine before men that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven" (Matt. 5).

were burned at the stake May 1, 1509, in the presence of thirty thousand spectators.

The history of this affair, in numberless editions, and in many languages, was scattered throughout Switzerland, and had a powerful influence in calling the attention of the common people to the character of the monks, and in preparing the way for the great uprising against the Roman Church that so soon followed.

An event of even greater importance in securing this result, however, was the appearance of Bernerd Samson, a Franciscan monk, who in August, 1518, entered Switzerland as Apostolic Commissary General, having been empowered by the Pope to sell within the limits of the Swiss Cantons, at fixed prices, plenary indulgences for all manner of offences. With this traffic Samson was already familiar, having from his sale of indulgences under two previous popes, added hundreds of thousands of ducats to the papal treasury. Full of Italian pride, and bent on plundering the people, he crossed the Alps by the St. Gothard pass, and commenced the sale of his wares in Uri. Among the poor mountaineers of this Canton he made only a brief halt, and then pushed on to

At that time Zwingli was pastor and preacher of the church of the Hermitage at Einsiedeln, having been called to this place from Glarus in 1516. At Einsiedeln there was a famous abbey. over whose gate were the words, "Here a plenary remission of sins may be obtained;" and already, during his residence in the place, Zwingli's heart had been stirred by the sight of the crowds of pilgrims who made their way to the abbey allured by the promises of the monks. Light had dawned upon his own soul, and he spoke brave words to the people who had been so grossly misled. But now his heart was even more deeply moved, and with fiery energy he denounced the traffic in which Samson was engaged. "Jesus Christ, the Son of God," he exclaimed, "has said, 'Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.' Is it not, then, most presumptuous folly and senseless temerity to declare on the contrary: 'Buy letters of indulgence, hasten to Rome, give to the monks, sacrifice to the priests, and if thou doest these things I absolve thee from thy sins'? Jesus

And now if the serious reader would be pleased to reflect impartially

on all the above in the light of God's Holy Word and of sound reason, we hope and trust that all well-meaning Christians will be able to perceive that this confession of faith and its doctrine indicate our purpose to harm no one, but to help and assist all men, and that its adherents may not be excluded from the number of the true reformers but with full right and reason should be included among them, and therefore should be graciously tolerated by those both high and low in government, and should also be properly dealt with and protected by them. And further, for a long time (because of their ignorance of our faith) the opposite took place; indeed in some areas the zeal of some went so far as to penalize the adherents of this faith with prison and caused them much distress and hardship, yea deep grief, even on the part of those who had themselves earlier so deeply complained of persecution and coercion of conscience and so highly extolled freedom of conscience and defended it as desirable. It is therefore probably necessary to set forth the position of the leaders who drew up the Articles of Peace at Cologne in 1579; namely, the legates of His Majesty the King of Spain on the one hand, and those of the States-General of the Provinces of the Netherlands on the other. The negotiators or mediators were the most illustrious Roman Emperor, Rudolf of blessed memory, together with many other princes of the Roman Empire. The Proceedings were published in 1581 by order of the States-General of Holland, and this praiseworthy work will ever serve and endure as a monument to all mankind. When the compiler of the Proceedings of the Peace Conference came to the subject of religion, and in particular to freedom of conscience, he included so many beautiful testimonies and reasons for freedom of conscience that they cannot easily be refuted or improved. For he adduced weighty evidence in support of this principle. For the Reformed knew by painful experience how bitterly they had suffered here [in the Netherlands] and elsewhere from the Catholics, whose clergy brought accusations against them to the government, resulting in loss of life and property. The editor shows (page 45) that this attitude led to the pronouncing of the death penalty as heretics against Waldo in 1188, Dulcinus in 1307, Rockenzain in 1361, Wyclif in 1364, and John Huss in To be continued



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few in the area are cooking maple syrup, which has been a good run so far. Snow is fast disappearing and spring buds have arrived.

Fat hogs reached a new low of \$.45 lb.

The first part of April was quite mild, though the wind was often from the east. On the 15th we had snow squallsall day, with the temperature at 22 degrees. It stayed cool until the 17th, then warmed up again with a high of 70 degrees on the 19th. The men are busy working in the fields. Quite a lot of oats has been put in. The 28th was very rainy, which has helped the grass. Early gardens are also planted.

#### Norwich, Ontario-Levi D. Stutzman

The first half of April was wet with some snow on the 14th, 15th, and 16th. Then we had ten days of fair weather. It started raining in the afternoon of the 27th and rained most of the next day. The total for the month was 3.4 inches. A few farmers started working ground on the 24th. I haven't heard of any seeding done although it could be possible. There is still some plowing to do.

Christ is the only oblation, the only sacrifice, the only way!"

Zwingli's warning voice penetrated the mountain valleys of Schwytz, and Samson was compelled to move on. Late in September he appeared in Zug, where a great crowd of poor people, responding to the call of Samson's heralds, pressed around the Papal Commission. "Let those first come who have gold," cried one of Samson's attendants: "the rest will receive attention afterwards." For three days Samson remained in Zug. At times the throng was so great that many could not get near the cross where the indulgences were sold. **Passing** through Lucerne and Unterwalden, meeting with increasing success in his mission, Samson came at length to Berne. At first he was not permitted to enter the city, but through the efforts of some of his friends the refusal was at length withdrawn, and he opened the sale of his wares in St. Vincent's Church. To the poor he sold indulgences on paper for three cents. For the same thing on vellum the rich paid a crown. To absolve themselves from greater sins some paid hundreds of ducats. A celebrated warrior, Jacob de Stein, by the present of the grey steed which he rode obtained an indulgence for himself, his five hundred troopers, and all his vassals in the seigniory of Realp. On the last Sunday of his stay in Berne, at a service in the church, Samson cried out, "All those who kneel down and offer a short prayer shall be as pure as immediately after baptism;" and as all kneeled he added, "I deliver from the torments of purgatory and of hell, all the souls of deceased Bernese, no matter when, where, or how they died."

In Aargau, Samson found that, on account of his failure to have his credentials approved, the Bishop of Constance had ordered his clergy not to receive him. In Baden, he held mass in the church. Afterward, while accompanying a procession through the churchyard, he cried out, as if he saw already the souls of the dead released from purgatory, "Look, see them fly!" One of the crowd mounted the tower to the belfry, and throwing out of the window a lot of old feathers he shouted, "Look, see them fly!" and Samson, followed by the derision of the multitude, left the place.

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## TO RECALL A FEW MEMORIES OF THE PAST

THE SPEICHER-SPYKER-SPICHER FAMILY

CONTINUED FROM LAST MONTH

The children of Joseph and Rachel (Yoder) of family number (216) were:

- 1. Daniel J. Stutzman married Elizabeth Hochstetler.
- 2. Susan Stutzman married John J. Mast.
- 3. Fanny Stutzman married Jonathan Hochstetler.
- 4. Jeremiah J. Stutzman married first Lydia S. Schrock, second to Ida Gingerich.
- 5. Levi J. Stutzman married Lizzie Schrock.
- 6. Joseph R. Stutzman married Emily Miller.
- 7. David J. Stutzman born 1877, died 1899.
- 8. Anna Stutzman born February 1881, died May 1881.
- 9. Edward I. Stutzman married first Lizzie Schlabach.

(217) Daniel J. Stutzman (216) born 1863 at Nappanee, Indiana and married to Elizabeth Hochstetler, born 1863, daughter of David J. and Magdalena (Hochstetler) Hochstetler. They lived in Elkhart County and also a while in Brown County, Indiana, with their family and were mostly affiliated with the Mennonite and the more liberal churches.

(218)Susan Stutzman (216) born 1864 married to John J. Mast born 1864 son of Jacob and Susan (Bontrager) Mast. They lived at Middlebury, Indiana and had several children (219) David J. (218) Mast born 1894 married to Susan Mast daughter of William and Barbara (Yoder) Mast of Middlebury. (220) Fannie J. Mast (218) born 1901 died 1936 married to Milton Yoder son of Amos and Mattie (Troyer) Yoder (this was the second marriage for Milton). To this union were born four children (221) Raymond Yoder (220) married Wilma Miller of Topeka, Indiana. (222) Susan M. Yoder (220) married to David son of Owen and Lizzie (Miller) Hochstetler they moved to Kenton, Ohio. (223) Mary M. Yoder (220) married to Perry Hershberger of Shipshewana, Indiana. (224) Mattie M. Yoder (220) married to Eli Hochstetler of Shipshewana. (225) Fannie Yoder (220) married to Pete son of Christ D. and Mary (Troyer) Yoder. Milton Yoder mentioned above was first married to Lydia daughter of Nathaniel and Mary Miller who died in 1929 there are three surviving children from this marriage namely, Freeman Yoder married Mary Alice Miller, Viola Yoder married to Elmer M. Bontrager and Ora Yoder married to Edith Stutzman they moved to Inola, Oklahoma.

Milton Yoder married third time to Lizzie (Schrock) Yoder who died in 1965 he married fourth time to Lizzie (Schrock) Miller the widow of Christian Miller.

(226) Fanny Stutzman (216) born 1866 married to Jonathan Hochstetler born 1866 son of David J. and Magdalena (Hochstetler) Hochstetler of Middlebury, Indiana. Their children were (227) Rachel Hochstetler (226) born 1889 married to Anan U. Christner they moved to Johnson County Iowa. They had one adopted daughter named Fannie Edith (Mast) Christner.

(228) Mattie Hochstetler (226) born 1892 married to Samuel H. Miller born 1895 son of Henry B. and Sarah

(Schrock) Miller he was born in Holmes County, but moved to Indiana, and had a family of eight children.

(229) Susan Hochstetler (226) born 1894 married John H. Whetstone son of Joseph J. and Martha Whetstone Middlebury, Indiana. To them were born nine children.

(230) Henry J. Hochstetler (226) born 1898 married to Savilla Weirich. To them were born ten children at

Middlebury, Indiana.

(231) Elizabeth Hochstetler (226) born 1900 married to Christian J. Troyer, born in Brown County, Indiana in 1899. Son of Jacob C. and Sarah (Miller) Troyer. This Jacob C. Troyer family moved from Elkhart County to Brown County, Indiana in 1897. Where the above Christian J. Troyer was born in 1899 and then in 1906 they moved back to Marshall County. About a year later to Elkhart Counry again. Christian J. Troyer lived in Elkhart Counry and was the parent of nine children.

(232) Amelia Hostetler (226) born 1902 married Cephas Nissley son of Jonas and Anna (Miller) Nissley. Caphas Nissley was ordained minister in 1942. Their son John C. Nisley was ordained minister in the south east LaGrange district in 1958 and Bishop in 1975.

(233) Jerry Hochstetler (226) born 1904 married to Emma Eash daughter of Abraham L. and Mary Ann

(Nisley) Eash of La Grange County, Indiana.

The next child of Joseph and Rachel (Yoder) Stutzman in (234) Jeremiah J. Stutzman (216) born 1869 at Middlebury, Indiana. Married first to Lydia Schrock born July 24, 1870 died 1892. At twenty two years of age daughter of Samuel J. and Rebecca (Yoder) Schrock of Indiana. Jeremiah J. Stutzman then moved to Kalona, Iowa and married his second wife. Ida Gingerich, born 1872, daughter of Jacob J. and Elizabeth (Gingerich) Gingerich and soon after that moved to Buchanan County, Iowa where he was ordained a Deacon in 1913. There were two children born in Indiana from his first marriage and eight in Buchanan, Iowa from the second marriage.

The oldest (235) Mary Stutzman (234) born 1890 died 1918 married to Mose P. Yoder born 1889, son of Peter Yoder of Kolona, Iowa. Mose P. married second Anna Yoder daughter of Stephen and Lizzie (Miller) Yoder.

The second child of Jerimiah Stutzman was (236) Harvey J. Stutzman born 1896, married first to Elizabeth Ropp, born 1893, daughter of Christian S. and Lydia P. Ropp of Canada. She died 1937. He then married second to Mattie S. Miller, daughter of Samuel E. and Katie Miller, they with their family live mostly in Wayne County, Ohio in the vicinity of Apple Creek. Harvey J. Stutzman was ordained a minister in 1919. There were eight children born to this union. The oldest son Eli H. Stutzman married to Susie S. Miller.

daughter of Samuel E. Miller. Eli H. was ordained a minister in the Northwest district in 1950, and a son-in-law Jacob J. Hershberger married to Lydia H. Stutzman was ordained a minister in 1958 and moved to

Harmony, Minnesota.

The oldest child from the second marriage of Jeremiah J. Stutzman was (237) Lizzie Stutzman (234) born 1900, married to Jonathan E. Bontrager, son of Emanuel E. and Elizabeth (Miller) Bontrager. They were the first Amish couple to have married in Buchanon County, Iowa. They are now living at

Curryville, Missouri. they have four children. Their daughter Lovina Bontrager is married to Reuben Swartz, who was ordainer a minister there in 1970.

The next of Jeremiah J. and Ida (Gingerich) Stutzman was (238) Joseph J. Stutzman (234) born 1901 married to Magdalena Bontrager born 1903 at Wolford, North Dakoto. Daughter of David C. and Mary

(Coblentz) Bontrager.

(239) Jacob G. Stutzman (234) born 1965 married Polly Yoder at Dodge City, Kansas daughter of Aaron A. and Mary (Hochstetler) Yoder, they later moved to Dover, Delaware. To them were born nine children. The oldest Mahlon Stutzman married Cora Mast, Orleans, Indiana. He married second Amelia Bontrager. Mary Stutzman married Elmer Yoder son of Jonas and Mattie (King) Yoder. He was ordained minister at Dover, Delaware in 1958 and now living in Kentucky. Aaron J. Stutzman married Sarah S. Bontrager and are living at Milton, Iowa. Jerry Stutzman married Irene Byler and are living at Cottage Grove, Tennessee. Salome Stutzman married to Simon Yoder of Leraysville Pennsylvania. Joseph P. Stutzman married to Sylvia Miller also of Leraysville. Jacob Stutzman Jr. married to Barbara Kramer they are at Mount Elgin, Canada. Herman Stutzman married Lydia Mae Byler they live at Marshfield, Missouri. Emery Stutzman married Clara Mast of Dover, Deleware.

Next of Jeremiah J. and Ida (Gingerich) Stutzman is (240) Edward J. Stutzman (234) married to Elizabeth A. Yoder daughter of Aaron and Mary (Hochstetler) Yoder formely of Dover, Deleware. They moved to Mount Elgin, Canada and were born to them fifteen children several who died young. Daniel Stutzman the oldest married to Anna J. Borntrager, Mount Elgin, Canada. Barbara Stuzman married to Henry J. Yoder son of Joe A. and Ida (Miller) Yoder of Hazelton, Iowa. Mary Stutzman married Tobie Borntrager, Amherst, Wisconsin. Amelia Stutzman married to Enos Yoder he was ordained minister at Mount Elgin, Canada in 1962 and Bishop in 1969. Jerry E. Stutzman married Emma Hershberger, Indepedence, Iowa. Edward E. Stutzman to married Betty Schmucker, Hazelton, Iowa. John E. Stutzman married to Mary Hershberger of Utica, Minnesota. Rachel E. Stutzman married to Vernon E. Mullet of Amherst, Wisconsin. Perry E. Stutzman married to Mary L. Hershberger, Selford, Canada. Esther E. Stutzman married to Henry Kauffman of Mosseley, Canada. Chester Stutzman married Sarah Kauffman of Mount Elgin, Canada. Mattie E. Stutzman married to Menno Kauffman of Mosseley, Canada. David E. Stutzman married to Mary Kauffman, Mount Elgin, Canada.

Next of the children of Jeremiah and Ida (Gingerich) Stutzman is (241) Daniel J. Stutzman (234) married to Anna Borntrager, daughter of Joseph N. and Savilla (Yoder) Borntrager. They lived at Kalona, Iowa with

their family.

Next is (242) Rachel Stutzman (234) married to Mose Bontrager, son of Christian and Elizabeth (Schrock) Bontrager. They with their family lived at Fairbanks, Iowa.

The next child of Joseph and Rachel (Yoder) Stutzman of Family Number (216) is (242) Levi J. Stutzman (216) born 1871 at Middlebury, Indiana continued on page 31



From the four Major Western Amish directories we may get added information to the populance of our Weaver family. According to these compilations the

Weaver name is listed as the twelve most popular Old Order names centered around 1972. It ranks nine after Schlabach-Slabach and before Bontrager in population with 98 families in Holmes County, Ohio and vicinity (1973), 34 in Geauga County, Ohio (1973) and 11 in Elkhart, LaGrange County, Indiana (1970). Since they are generally found among conservative circles, they

are a fast growing family.

The 1980 Rabers Almanac lists 12 ordained Weavers in Holmes County, Ohio and vicinity, with 5 in Geauga County, Ohio, 1, in Pennsylvania, 1 in Indiana and 1 in Kentucky. Where they are found they are generally staunch laborers in their office and quite conservative. Laymembers are likewise generally faithful to their creed and a smaller number of this family is found in affiliated churches which may be one reason for the fast growing family name in districts where they are established.

Due to the fact that our progenitor, Jacob Weaver, the only known Amish Weaver in Our Fatherland, moved west to Somerset County with his family early, it may be useless to count remaining Weaver in Our Fatherland today.

The Webers in Europe

Perhaps the earliest account of this family, in Anabaptist history is found in Martyrs Mirror, page 1113. (Scottdale 1951) In 1639 there was also apprehended the brother George Weber, an old man, from the country of Kibery. The same was also taken to Zurich, into the convent of Othenbach, and there fed on bread and water.

Finally, through the hardships and long duration of his imprisonment he became greatly impaired in his body, and fell in severe sickness, after he had beem confined there seventy weeks.

Afterwards, through some of his fellow prisoners, who opened the prison, he was released, but never

again recovered his property.

As regards to the homestead of George Weber, as also that of Jacob Egly, the owners of the same must each pay to the authorities 500 guilders.

#### Intercession Letters from Dutch Brethren

Among the most appealing documents in seventeenth century Anabaptist history are the Intercession letters written to Bern government authorities by the Dutch Mennonites.

From "Bernese Anabaptist" by Delbert Gratz, we will quote a paragraph:

By 1640 it appears that in the Emmenthal there were a considerable number of Anabaptists. Each village had a group. On January 1640, orders went out from the government at Bern to Aarwangen, Zofingen, Aarburg, Lenzberg, Thun, Signau, Brandis and Trackselwald that on January 25, a meeting to review the Anabaptist situation was to be held. The old mandates were again put into effect and strict orders were given to the authorities to "stop looking through their fingers."

Following this meeting orders were sent out to capture the ministers of the Anabaptist church and imprison them in the newly erected penitentiary and orphanage [waisenhaus] at Bern. It was after these stern actions that in 1659 Bernese officers broke into an actual church meeting and led away, bound, to captivity a number of ministers and leaders of the church. The Dursrutte lied (page 802 Ausbund), (for Diary article see page 52, 1951,) names three, Simon, Uli Baumgardner and Anthony Himmelberger, were led to Tragselwalt. Ernst Muller lists four in his account and the Martyrs Mirror (page 1124, Scottdale) names seven. A paragraph from Martyrs Mirror states that they were for awhile kept very hard at work and very poorly fed on heavy food, spelts and rye, to make good for the expenses they caused. In Bern they stood a trial of severe test, after they could not be made to repent, they were sentenced to be banished from the land forever. It was after the later edicts of these, and perhaps many more Anabaptists that Intercessions came from Holland.

These Intercessions from Dutch sympathizers started in 1659. Hans Ulamingh, a Mennonite merchant wrote a letter to Luthard, a member of the Anabaptist commission at Bern. His high points of a lengthy letter was that the state church policy of persecuting the defenseless Anabaptists were unreasonable, and engraving their strong qualities. Other letters, on behalf of the Anabaptists were sent to Bern commissioners.

On September 10, 1660, twelve Anabaptists who were held in the "orphanage" at Bern, were put on a boat and sent to Brugg, where they were escorted by police across the border and forced to promise never to return. Foremost on this list of 12 is *Anti Waber*, with Jacob Schlappach, Uli Baumgardner, Jacob Gut, Hans Jacob Mumprecht, Christen Christen, Rudolf Wirtz, Benedict Baumgardner, Hans Zaugg, Peter Frider, Mathias Kauffman and Hans Wenger. [Ernst Muller, pages 189-191].

It is known that some of these men returned to their homes at the risk of life. But little is known of the Waber family. Not until 1710 is this family again listed by Muller, and this time a Jacob Weber is listed among a group of Mennonites who have emigrated, by way of London, to America and settled on the Conestoga. [Ernst Muller, page 367].

Another of the Swiss Brethren was Valentin Weber who was given for criticism, the manuscripts of verantwordung by Pilgrim Marpeck. On August 26, 1559 he wrote a letter to Leupold Scharnschlager in Augsburg, thanking him for his trouble and effort in connection with Webers epistle concerning the Judgement, gericht. [Mennonite Encyclopedia Volume 4, page 906].

Peter Weber, a Mennonite preacher of Hardenburg, Germany, was a leader in the Pietistic movement in the Mennonite church about 1750. This movement caused a split in the church after Weber with Abraham Bechtel, Jost Gluck and Jacob Krehbiel were silenced by Abraham Zeisset. (See page 60, 1980 Diary).

According to a letter written to the Swiss Brethren to invite a ministers conference to remedy the sore wound in the Palatinate Mennonite Church, dated September 1766, states that the taufpunk mode of baptism was a leading offence in the issue of the pietistic movement. 126

It does not say specifically if the pietists favored baptism in water, although it is appearant that bishop Zeisset reflected on that area in his letter saying that baptisism is not so much meant to cleanse outwardly, rather a vow to be obedient to God and the church. (Samuel Geiser, page 541).

From the studies of J. Virgil Miller, an account appears from Karlsruhe Archives, of a Peter Weber, a minister at Oberflorsheim, Germany in 1759. This is likely the same Weber as accounted for in foregoing paragraphs. Of special interest is this account that states the names and age of his children. Peter 26, Christian 22, Johannes 16 and Jacob 15. The german document continues—Sie haben nichts in vermogen, sondern nur die deutsche ordens muhle un temporalstand. They have nothing in possession except that they rent a german mill. It would be interesting to know if this family is related to our Weber-Weaver Mennonite and Amish Pioneers in America.

Since Weber is a common Mennonite name in the Palatinate in the eighteenth century, it is commonly believed that the Mennonite Weavers descend from there. The Mennonite Encyclopedia lists more Webers in Southern Germany and in 1940, 67 Mennonite Webers (including children) are accounted for there, which shows a consistancy of Mennonite Weber families living in Southern Germany for at least two centuries. In spite of this a consistant line of Amish Webers do not appear in Europe, in fact the only Amish Weber family we can count on is the one listed by J. Virgil Miller, which was thought by him to be Amish. No Weber families are found in Alsace-Lorraine regions, France, which was the heart of the Amish church in Europe.

At least a dozen Webers are listed in "List of Swiss emigrants" by Faust and Brumbach, to emigrate from Switzerland to America from 1720-1750. Appearantly none of these are Mennonite or Amish families.

#### The Webers-Weavers in America

Many German Reformed Weber families are listed to emigrate to America, by Port Philadelphia in Strassberger-Hinke shiplists, and appearantly many have settled in Southeastern Pennsylvania. Few of these, however, seem to fit in our Fatherland Amish Church.

It has long been known of a Jacob Weaver to be the forerunner of the Amish Weavers in Holmes County, Ohio. Little headway was gained in this family research to find such a patriot in Fatherland regions until a book was published, Descendants of Nicholas and Elizabeth Weaver in 1972by Ben V. Wengard. Apparently the old Weaver records came to existence during that time. Since it is the only record to line up with our research in Berks.

Lancaster and Lebanon counties we are inclined to rely on it to be near authentic and will quote a few statements from the book.

Our Forefather, Jacob Weaver was born in Zurich, Switerland in 1748. He came with his cousin, Christian Weaver to Philadelphia they were sold for their passage and they lived in Berks Co. Pa.

Jacob and Christian Weaver served in the Revolution War from—1783. During wars these indentured serants were greatly encouraged by the army to enlist instead of working for their master. We have two Jacob

Weavers eligible for land grants for serving in the war, but were not drawn. In 1779 Jacob was married to Magdelena Oberholtzer.

At least three Jacob Weavers appear on Berks Co. tax returns earlier than the immigration date given above but none fit in at the right place at the right place

at the right time to be our Jacob.

A Peter Weaver owned a large tract of land in Amity Township early. In 1733, he petitioned the Chester County court to erect a new township which is now Amity. His landholdings covered much of present Amity of which a draft is filed at the Pennsylvania Historical Society, 13 and Louist Streets, Philadelphia. Peter was of outstanding prominance in that part of Chester County before Berks was formed. His signature also appears on other petitions including the one to erect Berks County from Chester and Lancaster Counties in 1752. Other civil activities, of this Peter Weaver and later with his son Jacob, are documented in general Pennsylvania Archives. He is not believed to have been Mennonite nor Amish in contrast to former theories which were led by records of the will of Peter Weaver, stating that as a heir is a grandson, Daniel Lehman, son of his third daughter, Catherine, late wife of Daniel Lehman. Other intermarriages were to familiar Berks County, fatherland names as Schrock and Rhoad or Roth. In spite of these familiar name intermarriages he has long since been ruled out to be a member of our Fatherland group.

On Bethel Township, Lancaster County (later Dauphin the Lebanon Counties) appears a coincidence to fit our Weaver family well. In 1749 a tract was warranted to Jacob Weaver. In 1775 he sells his farm to Jacob Plank. Among his landjoiners are John Wingard. Apparently this Weaver comes from a Weaver family who had first settled in the Cocalico community, northeast of Ephrata and near the John Plank (Blanck) family, where this Jacob Plank belongs to. It is likely that these families intermarried. It is not known where the Jacob Weaver family moved to but possibly to western Pennsylvania. Christian Weaver is also given a land grant in the Cocalico Valley. On a homestead nearby that of Jacob Weaver in Bethel Twn. is a Jacob Oberholtzer homestead since 1739. If our Jacob Weaver came to America at the age of sixteen, it is quite likely that he settled with a related Weaver family in Cocalico or Bethel and found his life companion there, after he was released and it is also quite likely that he was released by a near relative. We do not, however, have a document to place a Jacob Weaver at that age, to fit the description of our Jacob in the given Weaver family history on any county or townships in our fatherland, on tax lists. It is likely that he stayed with relatives until he moved to now Sommerset County, Pennsylvania.

One document does appear, however of a Jacob Weaver to fit our Jacob well. This one was drawn from Berks County, Pennsylvania. Revolutionary Militia delinquent records as follows.

of my company is a single man and has no estate at all. Signed by Nicholas Lutz, Captain. At this point we are not sure of the extent of the document. Since it was found among other war resisting citizens to grant them aquittal, it was taken for granted that he was exempted from paying fines, as others usually did, because he has no property. On the contrary, it could be a certificate of service.

#### The Jacob and Magdelena [Oberholtzer] Weaver family

From Descendants of Nicholas Weaver and

Elizebeth Schrock

Jacob Weaver died in Somerset County, Penna. in 1820.

Their Children:

Christian, born April 10, 1780; Abraham, born August 4, 1782; Peter, no date; Samuel, March 22, 1788; Catherine, no date; Jacob, no date; Elizebeth, no date; David, no date.

Three of their sons settled in Holmes County, Ohio with their families, namely Peter, Samuel and Jacob.

Samuel was married to Elizebeth Keim, the oldest daughter of the great patriarch in Somerset County, Nickolas Keim.

MEMORIES OF THE PAST—Continued from page 28 married to Lizzie Schrock born 1874 daughter of John and Magdalena (Miller) Schrock. They lived at Hutchinson, Kansas, but moved back to Indiana where he died. Their children were, (243) John L. Stutzman (242) married Anna Miller who was born 1896 at Gibson, Mississippi and later lived at Thomas, Oaklahomo with their family. (244) Rachel Stutzman (242) born 1895 at Hutchinson, Kansas married to Levi T. Schrock. They had lived at New Paris, Indiana. (245) Susan L. Stutzman (242) born 1897 married to Jonathan F. Miller son of Jonathan J. and Fanny (Yoder) Miller Goshen, Indiana. (246) Katie Stutzman (242) married to Tobias T. Yoder son of Tobias D. and Mary (Troyer) Yoder, Middlebury, Indiana. (247) Joseph Stutzman (242) married Emma Schlabach, Oregon City, Oregon. (248) Mattie Stutzman (242) married to David E. Schrock of Huchinson, Kansas son of Eli and Sarah (Yoder) Schrock of Haven, Kansas. (249) Lizzie Stutzman (242) married to Jonas L. Keim born 1903 son of the well known late Bishop Leander and Mattie (Nissley) Keim of Haven, Kansas. (250) Gertrude Stutzman (242) married to Edward R. Yoder, son of Perry and Sarah (Beachy) Yoder of Huchinson, Kansas.

The next child of Joseph and Rachel (Yoder) Stutzman of family no. (216) was (251) Joseph R. Stutzman (216) born 1874, married to Emily Miller. They at one time lived in Ford County, Kansas and also for a time in Reno County, Kansas but moved back to Indiana where he died. Their children were (252) Fannie Stutzman (251) married to Levi Bontrager, son of Jonas and Catherine (Yoder) Bontrager of Haven, Kansas. Jonas and Catherine were also the parents of Minister D. K. Bontrager who was a long time Budget scribe from Haven, Kansas. (253) Jerry Stutzman (251) married to Alma Stutzman daughter of David D. and Ida I. (Hochstetler) Stutzman, David D. the son of Daniel J. Stutzman of family Number 217 this article

The next of Joseph and Rachel (Yoder) Stutzman is (254) Edward J. Stutzman born 1883 died 1914, married to Lizzie Schlabach daughter of Simon and Fannie (Christner) Schlabach, they had a son Raymond Stutzman married to Katie Yoder of Indiana.

## Our Fatherland in America

#### The Weaver Family



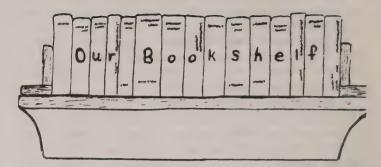
While this is a well known Amish family name in Ohio and Indiana settlements it is a better known Mennonite name in the east. The fact is that it was originally neither in early European history, it was a

strong German Refound name as well as Jewish or Catholic in many countries of Europe, like' Miller, Fisher and Kauffman, it originates as a tradename and is therefore found in nearly every civilized country early, although the Webes spelling is found in german speaking countries, where Weavers will be found in English speaking countries. Again, like the Fisher, Kauffman and Miller families, Weaver family research may become quite complicated, because when you find one in a given township three or four others may appear with the same given name which makes it hard to "single out" the one you are looking for and it is quite easy to mistakenly take one that belongs to another family.

Now that our Weavers are most frequently found in Holmes County, Ohio where they may even seem to become dominant in few districts, they are not at all confined to that area. Many are also found in Geauga County, Ohio, and in LaGrange-Elkhart Counties of Indiana. Of late years quite a number have spread to outgrowing areas in Michigan, Missouri, Wisconsin, Wester Pennsylvania, New York and Kentucky. There are however no known Old Order Weavers east of the Susquehanna.

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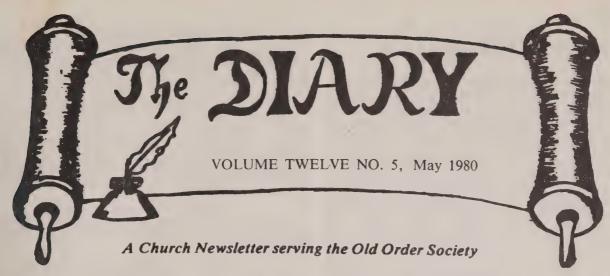
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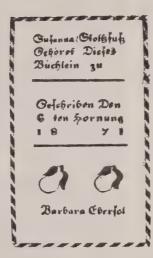
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# **COMMUNITY NOTES**

#### Gap, Penna. - 16 year old girl killed in an automobile accident

Susan Ada Dienner, 16, daughter of Preacher Isaac and Barbara Dienner, of #1 Gap, was fatally injured on Sunday, May 3, when she was thrown from a car when the driven had to brake suddenly due to 2 parked cars on the road, which happened on New Holland Road, near Dry Hill. A few others in the car were slightly injured. See obituary.

#### Mechanicsville, Maryland - 8 year old fatally hurt in car impact

Samuel J. Esh, 8, son of John and Ada Esh of #3 Mechanicsville, was killed by a car on the way home from the picnic on the last day of school. A group of children were walking together pulling an express wagon with an ice-cream freezer on, when a car came over the hill going too fast and swerved away then back again too sharp just tipping the wagon as it hit the boy who was walking beside the wagon. He was thrown about 50 feet and was dead at the scene. Two boys were riding on the wagon and a bat was knocked out of the hands of the one who had a mark on his knee from the bat. The lady had just bought a small car after being used to a heavy one and probably panicked when she came on the group suddenly over the top of the hill which is on a turn. See obituary.

#### Nine Points, Penna. - Minister Succumbs to Tumor

Samuel L. Stoltzfus, 56, #2 Christiana, died from a brain tumor. He was first known to be sick on April 13 and went to the doctor the next day. They operated on April 21, his radium treatments started on April 29. He died at home on May 5. See obituary.

#### Apple Creek, Ohio - Senior Member Dies

Harvey J. Stutzman, 87, died May 7, of cancer. He was a native of Middlebury, Indiana. His first marriage was to Elizebeth C. Ropp, who died in 1933 and a second marriage to Mattie S. Miller who died in 1956. See obituary.

#### Dry Run, Penna. - Mother Dies Suddenly

Mary, wife of Moses Hostetler, died suddenly on May 5. She was apparently overcome by a heart attack while working in her garden and found by a daughter.

She was a daughter of Hannah, widow of the late John L. Stoltzfus. Mary was a native of Lancaster County, Pennsylvania and moved with her parents to St. Marys County, Maryland around 1940 and she was married there. Her funeral was the same day as that of Samuel Stoltzfus, who was her first cousin. See obituary.

#### Honey Brook, Penna. - Deacon Dies

Daniel U. Stoltzfus, 90, expired May 28. He was a widely known deacon to which he was ordained in 1918 and which he faithfully served for over 61 years. According to Rabers Almanac he was the earliest ordained Old Order Amish Deacon in U. S. and Canada. Only one minister, who is still living, was ordained before. He was a son of the late Minister Benuel M. and Malinda (Esh) Stoltzfus, near Morgantown. See obituary.

#### Dover, Delaware - Senior Member Dies

Henry S. Mast, age 87, #2 Dover, died at his home on May 19. He was married to Lizzie Miller on December 22, 1914, lived in matrimony 63 years. He was a former resident of Holmes County, Ohio. And a son of the late Sam J. and Magdalena (Miller) Mast. See obituary.

#### Lancaster County, Pennsylvania - Man dies of heart attack

Stephen L. Stoltzfus, 60, Gordonville, Pa., died suddenly, Tuesday evening, May 27 of an apparent heart attack. He had been working like usual that day till they got company in the evening. Soon after the company left, he was sitting on the couch when his wife noticed that something was wrong. He was rushed to the hospital but it was too late. He was pronounced dead on arrival of the Lancaster Osteopathic Hospital. See Obituary.

#### Burton, Ohio - Widow of Bishop Neil Hershberger passes on

News spread very quickly of the sudden unexpected death of Lydia, Mrs. Neil Hershberger, 77, on May 7. She had been feeling extra well and had helped her daughter, Amanda with hand sewing. Towards evening she brought in some kindling and stooped to put it in her kindling box. Very suddenly she had a severe headache, and before help could be gotten she went into a coma and passed away in half an hour, presumably from a stroke. See obituary.

#### Brookfield, Missouri - Boy Drowned

Herman Yoder, 13 year old son of David J. Yoder is reported to have drowned. No other details are included in the report. He was a grandson of Minister Jonas B. Byler and also of Noah J. Stutzman of Welda, Kansas. See obituary.

#### Middlefield, Ohio - Fatality

Shelia Jean, age 9, met with a sudden death on Thursday eve, May 15, when she ran in front of a pick-up truck. Shelia, along with her sisters had gone to the neighbors to see a new colt, and on the way home the others stopped to look at a frog in the ditch, while she went on, and ran in front of an oncoming truck. She was instantly killed. Mail would be welcome. Address is Route 2, Kinsman Rd. Middlefield, Ohio.

#### Kalona, Iowa - Senior Member Dies

Anna Mae (Beachy) Yoder, 90, passed away. Her husband, Enos M. Yoder, died in 1966. They both died at their Iowa City home. See obituary.

#### Montgomery, Indiana - Discing Accident

Mary, 18 year old daughter of David Graber was seriously hurt while discing. The horses she was driving, seared and ran away. In the accident her foot was caught by the disc and was cut off above the ankle. A neighbor came to her rescue who found her foot 30 feet away from where she was lying. She was rushed to the Daviess County Hospital where her amputated foot was packed in ice and then was sent to a hospital in Louisville, Kentucky where 6 doctors spent 15 hours in surgery. She is responding well and reports are that she can move her toe again.

#### Newburg, Penna. - Boy was riding a horse

Stephen F. Stoltzfus, son of Jonathan and Lydia Stoltzfus had an accident on Sunday P.M. He was riding a horse at a high speed on the mountain trail when his saddle went side ways on the horse. He hit a tree with his head, fell from the horse and was dragged about 20 feet. Some more riders were with him. He was taken to the Chambersburg Hospital and from there to Hagerstown. He has a fractured skull and a badly bruised face. He has not regained consciousness yet.

#### Bowling Green, Missouri - Buggy Accident

The John S. Eicher family was struck head-on by a car when they were driving in their buggy. The driver was apparently blinded by the sun. They escaped serious injury. Although Jake, a son, suffered a broken arm and spent one night in the hospital.

#### Liberty, Kentucky - Two Buggies Collide

On the way to church two buggies accidently struck coming off of South Fork Ridge. Both buggies overturned. Two of David Kilmers children were taken to the hospital. Mary Kulp, the driver of the other buggy was not hurt. It is not exactly clear how the accident happened.

#### Sugar Grove, Penna. - Saw Accident

A 16 year old son of Deacon Levi L. Shetler severed his hand while helping to buzz saw at Rudy Shetlers. He was employed in throwing away the sawed pieces when he tried to get a piece that was stuck between the saw and the frame. Somehow his hand was taken into the saw and sawed off. He was rushed to the hospital in an ambulance, first to Jamestown and then to Buffalo, N. Y. He was in the operating room for over 24 hours and in attempt to sew the hand back on again. According to reports only his thumb is healing.

#### Lakeville, Ohio - Feed Grinder Accident

Daniel, son of Eli D. Schlabachs, lost one finger and another one was cut, while grinding feed. He was trying to push dried molasses in the mixer when the auger caught his fingers. He was hospitalized for 2 days. A pin was put in one finger that had the bone broken. Some skin grafting is expected to be needed.

#### Narvon, Penna. - Barn Fire

Wednesday evening, May 14, Jesse Esh's barn burned, the cow stables were saved, they milked in them the next evening. This is in the Churchtown area.

#### Honeyville, Indiana - House Fire

Menno Beachys had the misfortune of having a house fire last Friday. His wife Elizabeth was alone at home at the time. She has been on the wheel chair mostly for some time. She lit the oil stove to start dinner, then went back to the work table when she heard a strange sound, turned around and saw flames going up from the stove. She tried to fight it with water and soda the best she could, then she decided to get out as quick as she could. She had some burns around her neck and shoulders and was taken to the Goshen, Hospital where she was still not released at last reports. Their kitchen is burned out completely and the rest of the house is damaged some and very badly smoked. Menno is 86 and Elizabeth is 81.

#### Reedsville, Penna. - Barn Fire

The barn of Joseph M. and Sarah K. (Speicher) Hostetler burned to the ground on Thursday evening, May 22. The Amish and Mennonite disaster service cleaned it up. The following Tuesday the 27th, some lumber is being sawed at two local sawmills to rebuild in the near future.

#### Jamesport, Missouri - Barn Fire

Ora Hochstetler's barn burned down the afternoon of May 9. Oras were not at home when the fire started, so the cause of fire is unknown. A stud horse, a bull and a calf were in the barn and suffacated, also some farm implements were in the barn and destroyed. A new barn is being built, which is nearly completed except partitions and mangers, etc.

#### Beebe, Arkansas - Community Note

May 3, Joe C. Miller had a small accident at the pallet shop at Shetlers. He was trying to roll a log by himself which was a bit too heavy for him. Something snapped in his back. He has been taking chiropractor treatments since. The latter part of May they took a fifteen day trip, throughout the U. S.

#### Cashton, Wisconsin - Grainery Fire

The grainery at Mose T. Hershbergers was destroyed by fire about the 23rd of May. The hired man was grinding feed, when all at once he saw fire, it may have started at or near the engine.

A holstein bull at Vernon Yoders, turned around just inside the barn door and pinned John P. Hochstetler, the hired man, against the door, pushed him outside and rolled him around in a mud hole, then stood back and gave him a chance to get away, he has several cracked ribs, but was able to go home to his parents, the Perry Hochstetlers, #1 Wilton.

Honey Brook, Penna. - Barn struck by Lightning

On the evening of the 31st a barn was struck by lightning in the Honey Brook area. It was all burned except the cow stable Underneath was made ready to milk in the next morning. It is on a farm owned by Elam Kauffman and occupied by their son, John.

#### Mifflin County, Penna. - Community Notes

Rachel Peachey, 80, wife of Noah L. Peachey fell while going down the porch steps her heel caught on the last steps she fell into the yard, breaking her knee cap and leg above the knee. She had a pin in her knee and weight on her leg for 3 weeks. Now they took out the pin and put on a hinge cast, to keep her knee from getting stiff. They now tried her walking which she is unable to do yet, she is in Huntingdon Hospital.

#### Dundee, Ohio - Community Notes

Katie, 4 year old daughter of Eli and Sarah Mae Mast of Orrville, received a skull fracture, May 10 when she fell down a straw hole in their barn. She was at Canton Aultman Hospital for 3 days. She is coming along well.

Eli Mast, father of Katie, received a bad break at his elbow April 30, from a bicycle mishap. He had surgery and a 3 day stay at the hospital. He is also coming along well.

#### Wilton, Wisconsin - Community Notes

Alton, 1 month old son of Mahlon and Barbara Borntreger is in Lacrosse Hospital with virus pneumonia. He was in the hospital 4 days when he was 2 weeks old. And came home again for 10 days. But didn't gain weight. He had lost 1 lb. since birth. But is gaining now at last reports. They have hopes to bring him home until June 1st.

Jonas and Lydia Borntregers had quite a scare when they had the wedding for their oldest daughter Mary, at their house. Just before the people came from church services for dinner someone had put some white gas in the oil stove by mistake. Which had caused the oilstove to go on fire. Luckily they had enough help to pit it out with flour before fire trucks got there. Dinner was delayed about an hour.

#### Utica, Minnesota - Accident

Raymond, son of Eli J. and Ada (Hershberger) Yoder is in St. Mary's Hospital in Rochester. He jumped from the buggy when he noticed something wasn't fastened. As he jumped he broke his leg some way. It is in traction.

Nappanee, Indiana - Mrs. Ray Burkholder

Bishop Uriah Mast has been having poor blood circulation in his legs and feet for several years, and was in the hospital off and on in the last year. Seems to be some better. He was annointed, May 11.

Leroy L. Hochsteller, Janice Yoder and Gary E. Hochsteller are taking instruction for water baptism in North Millwood District

#### Sugarcreek, Ohio - Community Note

Marvin, son of Jonas P. Borkholders is still in Akron childrens hospital. He is not gaining. He was born March 16.

#### Haven [Reno County] Kansas - Community Notes

Mrs. D. K. Bontrager, 85, has been in the hospital but is recovering at home from what the doctor thinks must of been a stroke.

D. K. Bontrager, 89, was also in the hospital a few days this last week from upset stomach and vomitting. He was released Saturday, May 24 and attended the South church Sunday at his son, Rudy Bontragers place.

#### Conneautville, Penna. - Community Note

Through the month of May there were 3 persons hospitalized. Leroy, baby son of Menno and Clare Coblentz was hospitalized 4 days with pneumonia.

William Miller was in the hospital 10 days with 8 broken ribs, his heart was watched closely, he had heart trouble earlier. He is at home, and still weak.

On the evening of the 27th, Sue Ellen, daughter of Aden Millers was operated on for appendicitis. She is still in the hospital at this writing.

#### Amherst, Wisconsin - Community Note

Vernon Schmucker is scheduled to enter the hospital next week fer an operation on his knee.

#### Southern Mercer County, Penna. - Community Note

Mrs. Jonathan B. Hostetler, #2 New Wilmington, has been in the Youngstown Hospital for tests. Reports are she may be at home again soon. She is reported to have a liver ailment.

#### Utica, Minnesota - Accident

Elmer, son of Deacon Abe J. Yoders broke his large finger in his left hand, when he and his brother David had a run away in the buggy during a heavy rainfall. Thunder scared the horse and he started to kick till he was loose from the buggy. Only damage to the buggy was the dashboard being kicked out.

#### Johnson County, Iowa - Community Notes

Mrs. Chris S. Bender is not at all well at this writing, her age is 73.

Minister (big) Chris B. Miller is about holding his own since his light stroke. He is 92.

## BIRTHS

\* indicates correction from last month.

#### Montour County, Pennsylvania

Stoltzfus, Amos K. (Mary S. Fisher) #3, Danville, a dau. Annie, May 24.

#### Dauphin County, Pennsylvania

Stoltzfus, David (Barbara Swarey) Millersburg, a dau. Malinda.

#### Lebanon County, Pennsylvania

Stoltzfus, Christ L. (Sara Fisher) #1 Newmanstown, a dau. Miriam, May 2.

Allgyer, Jacob (Katie Beiler) #2 New Providence, a dau. Elizabeth, May 3.

Beiler, Daniel S. (Lillian B. Beiler) #3 Quarryville, a son Levi, May 28. Beiler, Isaac E. (Rebecca S. King) #2 Oxford, a dau. Ruth K., May 3 Beiler, John L. (Sylvia S. Glick) #2 Christiana, a dau. Susie, May 11

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Blank, David G. (Mattie R. Lapp) #3 Oxford, a son, May 24.

Esh, David (Rachel B. Ebersol) #2 Paradise, a son Levi H., May 29.

Esh, Emanuel (Rachel Esh) #1 Paradise, a son, May 15.

Fisher, Christ S. (Barbara Lapp) 2110 Rockvale Rd. Lancaster, a son Jonas, May 17.

Fisher, David S. Jr. (Rachel Stoltzfus) a dau., Fannie L., May 24 Fisher, Samuel K. (Priscilla F. Stoltzfus) #2 Peach Bottom, a son

Israel, May 3.

Glick, Daniel M. (Barbara King) #3 Lititz, a dau. Barbara K., May 23 Huyard, Isaac (Sylvia Beiler) #3 New Holland, a son John, May 13.

Kauffman, John (Arie Stoltzfoos) #1 Christiana, a dau., May 21. King, David S. (Sarah L. Dienner) #1 Christiana, a son, May 31.

King, David S. (Sarah L. Dienner) #1 Christiana, a son, May 31.King, Isaac S. (Fannie B. Stoltzfus) #2 Holtwood, a dau. Amanda S., April 30.

Lapp, Amos F. (Mamie Kauffman) #1 Leola, a son Elam K., May 31 Lapp, Benuel (Lizzie King) #1 Narvon, a dau. Mary K., Apr. 16.

Lapp, Emanuel (Lizzie E. King) #1 New Holland, a dau. Mary, May 28. Lapp, Gideon (Mary S. Fisher) #4 Lititz, a son Samuel F., May 31

Lapp, Moses (Elizabeth King) 3982B E. Newport Rd. Gordonville, a dau. Rachel, May 1.

Lapp, Samuel (Sara Beiler) #1 Gordonville, a son David B., May 14 Lapp, Samuel P. (Miriam Stoltzfus) 9 Hatville Rd. Gordonville, a dau. Marianne Faith, May 25.

Miller, Aaron S. (Lydia S. Blank) 96 Farmland Rd. Leola, a dau., May 13.

Miller, John L. (Rebecca King) #1 Leola, a son John L. Jr, May 12 Miller, John L. (Malinda S. Stoltzfus) Strasburg Pike, Lancaster, a dau. Katie, May 24.

Miller, Lloyd L. (Susie S. Allgyer) 423 Gridly Rd., Lancaster, a son, Jacob, May 30

Riehl, Moses (Ruth Beiler) 258 Refton Rd. New Providence, a dau. Anna Ruth, May 7.

Smoker, Abram F. (Susie S. Stoltzfus), #1 Kirkwood, a dau. Nancy S., May 11

Smucker, Aquilla E. (Rachel Kauffman) Bird-in-Hand, a son David K., May 20.

Smucker, Benuel (Lavina Beiler) #1 Narvon, a son John B., May 20 Smucker, Christian L. (Naomi King), #1 Narvon, a son Christian L. Jr., May 10

Smucker, Jacob B. (Rebecca Stoltzfus), #1 Oxford, a dau. Malinda S.,

Stoltzfus, Abner L. (Sarah B. King) #2 Peach Bottom, a son Daniel J., May 25

Stoltzfus, Aquilla (Annie M. Smucker) #1 Kirkwood, a dau. Mary S., May 10.

Stoltzfus, Daniel (Rebecca Glick), #2 Honey Brook, a dau. Mary G., May 4

Stoltzfus, Daniel K. (Katie K. Fisher) #1 Strasburg, a son Mike, May 10.

Stoltzfus, Elias L. (Mattie K. Lapp) #1 Kirkwood, a son, May 2.

Stoltzfus, John (Bena Stoltzfus) 382 Gridly Rd. Lancaster, a dau. Katie Mae, May 22.

Stoltzfus, Kore (Ruth Blank) #1 Ronks, a dau. Mary, May 15.

Stoltzfus, Levi (Katie Stoltzfus) Vintage Rd. #2 Paradise, a dau., May 11.

Stoltzfus, Melvin (Fannie Biank) #1 Strasburg, a dau. Kathryn, May 24.

Stoltzfus, Norman B. (Rebecca Fisher) #2 Narvon, a son, May 21. Stoltzfus, Roy (Emma Petersheim) Leola, a dau. Susie, May 13.

Zook, Enos J. (Malinda Stoltzfus) #3 Quarryville, a dau. Annie, April 30.

Zook, Jacob R. (Emma M. Fisher) #1 New Holland, a son Christ, May 27.

#### Dover, Delaware

Mast, Emory S. (Erma Yoder) #5 Dover, a dau. Linda, May 20. Troyer, Jonas L. (Amanda Miller) #1 Wyoming, a son Levi, May 18. Yoder, Daniel H. (Esther Hershberger) #1 Wyoming, a son Daniel Ray, May 29.

St. Marys County, Maryland

Beiler, Bennie Z. (Hannah Swarey) Charlotte Hall, a dau. Susie, May 1.

Stoltzfus, Jacob S. (Sylvia Hertzler) Mechanicsville, a dau. Sylvia, May 1. Delta, Pennsylvania

Stoltzfus, Jacob S. (Sarah F. Smucker) #2 Airville, a dau. Hannah, May 6.

Mifflin County, Pennsylvania

Kanagy, David (Ella Peachey) Belleville, a son Omar, May 4. Kanagy, John B. (Mary Renno) Belleville, a son Aaron, May 4. Swarey, John B. (Lizzie Peachey) Allensville, a dau. Ivy, May 13.

Somerset County, Pennsylvania

Brenneman, Milton M. (Sarah H. Kinsinger) Meyersdale, a dau. Effe, May 26.

Fisher, John L. (Sarah P. Yoder) Salisbury, a dau. Naomi, May 7.

Southern Mercer County, Pennsylvania

Byler, Levi M. (Katie J. Byler) #1 Mercer, a dau. Lizzie, May 2. Swartzentruber, Eli L. (Katie A. Byler) #2 New Wilmington, a dau. Leah, May 4.

Mercer County, Pennsylvania

Byler, Manas (Celesta Mullet) a son Daniel, May 17.

Crawford County, Pennsylvania

Coblentz, Vernon J. (Susan Kay Nisley) #2 Conneautville, a dau. Deborah, May 26.

Geauga County, Ohio

Byler, Levi (Susan) Middlefield, a dau. May 25. Detweiler, Dan N. (Emma) Middlefield, a dau. April 26.

Fisher, Lester (Clara) Middlefield, a son, May 25.

Gingerich, Robert (Linda Shrock) Middlefield, a dau. Laura, May 4. Hershberger, Jonas (Betty Yoder) Middlefield, a son Raymond, May 20.

Hostetler, Harley R. (Mattie Mullet) W. Farmington, a son, May 11. Kuhns, Manass (Irene Kempf) Gerretsville, a dau. Sarah, May 11.

Mast, Allen J. (Brenda) Middlefield, a dau. April 21. Miller, Dan E. (Linda Troyer) Middlefield, a dau.

Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Owen E., Middlefield, a son, May 7.

Miller, Raymond (Ada Hershberger) Burton, a son Melvin, April 28.

Miller, John (Maryann Byler) Middlefield, a dau. Linda, May 20.

Troyer, Leroy R. (Barbara Sue Miller) Middlefield, a dau. Rhoda,
April 25.

Weaver, Sam J. (Elizabeth Kauffman) Middlefield, a dau. May 4. Yoder, Mr. and Mrs. Dan J., Middlefield, a dau. Miriam.

Yoder, Sam D. (Rebecca Ann Hershberger) Middlefield, a son Robert, May 1.

Yutzy, Michiel (Amanda Kurtz) Middlefield, a son Michiel John, May 16.

Wayne County, Ohio

Gingerich, Roman (Clara Yoder) #2 Orrville, a son Ivan, April 25.
 Hershberger, Ray A. (Betty) #2 Fredricksburg, a son Mark, April.
 Miller, Atlee D. (Mabel Hershberger) #2 Apple Creek, a son John, May 10.

Miller, Joe C. (Anna Yoder) #2 Dalton, a son Raymond, May 14.

Holmes County, Ohio

Beachy, John H. (Mary) #2 Millersburg, a dau. May 26. Gingerich, Daniel A. (Clara) Star Route, Millersburg, a dau. Lisa, May 16.

Hershberger, Levi J. (Esther) #3 Fresno, a dau. Susie, May 23.

Keim, Dan O. (Anna Troyer) a dau. Susan, April 4.

Raber, David A. (Amanda Troyer) an adopted son, Mahlon, March 9. Stutzman, Leroy E. (Verna Borntrager) #2 Sugarcreek, a son Jonas, April 6.

Troyer, Milton E. (Fannie E. Weaver) #2 Shreve, a dau. Mary, May 16.

Wengerd, Crist M. (Mary A. Yoder) #1 Baltic, a son Mose, April 24.

Yoder, Henry (Dena J.) #3 Millersburg, a son Atlee, May 7. Yoder, Jonas N. (Betty Kurtz) a son Leroy, April 13.

Yoder, Jonas N. (Betty Kurtz) a son Leroy, April 13. Yoder, Mose J. (Ada S. Yoder) #1 Baltic, a dau. May 26. Yoder, Roman D. (Alma J. Troyer) Baltic, a son Leroy, April 25.

Yoder, Wayne J. (Betty Hershberger) #2 Fredericksburg, a dau. Elsie, April 20.

Ashland County, Ohio

Brenneman, Dan A. (Sadie Yoder) a dau. Ella, April 26. Keim, John W. (Laura H. Yoder) #5 Ashland, a son John Jr., May 2. Miller, Henry S. (Katie M. Troyer) #1 Ashland, a dau. Susie, May 20. Shrock, Melvin E. (Anna S. Miller) #1 Ashland, a son Sylvanus, May 4. Weaver, Rey E. (Susie Coblentz) a son Emery, April 6.

Yoder, Dan R. (Amanda J. Hershberger) #1 Ashland, a dau., May.

Yoder, Ura A. (Mary Raber) a son Jonas, April 26.

#### Allen County, Indiana

Graber, Benjamin (Rosa Delagrange) Grabill, a son Marcus, May 19. Graber, Robert (Verna Schwartz) #2 Grabill, a son Leon, May 1.

Lengacher, Joseph (Mary Graber) Grabill, a son Martin, May 16.

Schmucker, Jeromia (Esther Graber) #1 Spencerville, a dau. Anna Marie, May 10.

Schmucker, William (Leah Graber) Grabill, a son LaVern, May 3. Schwartz, Joseph (Rebecca Graber) Spencerville, a son Noah, April 26.

#### Adams County, Indiana

Ficher, Paul V. (Margaret G. Schwartz) Geneva, a dau. Susan, April 8.

Girod, Eli B. (Amanda K. Schwartz) Berne, a son Benjamin, May 19. Girod, Jerry J. (Mattie Weaver) Berne, a dau. Rebecca, May 19.

Girod, Reuben J. (Emma U. Schwartz) Berne, a son, April 23.

Graber, Christ S. (Lizzie Zook) Monroe, a son David, May 9.

Graber, John J. (Barbara M. Hilty) Geneva, twins, son and dau. John and Mary, April 25.

Schwartz, David W. (Rosie A. L. Schwartz) Berne, a son Levi, April 17.

Schwartz, Jake T. (Rosa B. Schwartz) Monroe, a son Amos, March 30. Schwartz, Joe K. (Lizzie R. Wickey) Geneva, a dau. Adeline, March

Schwartz, Joe W. (Sylvia E. Schwartz) Berne, a dau. Sylvia, April 10.

Shetler, Ben (Mary L. B. Schwartz) Monroe, a son Timothy, May 21. Troyer, David E. (Elizabeth U. Schwartz) Berne, a dau., May 20.

Troyer, Joe E. (Mary Christner) Geneva, a dau., May 9. Wengerd, Noah N. (Josephine Girod) Geneva, a son Joe, May.

Wickey, Jacob L. (Rebecca Christner) Berne, a dau. Barbara, April 6. Wickey, Martin N. (Emma N. Schwartz) Decatur, a son Michiel, May

LaGrange County, Indiana

Bontrager, Kenneth (Tressie Lambright) Shipshewana, a dau. Katy K., May 7.

Fash, Christy L. (Lydia Mae Miller) #2 Topeka, a son Devon Ray, May

Eash, Ora Lee (Irene Hochstedler) LaGrange, a son Eli Ray, May 22. Fry, Joseph (Mattie Kurtz) LaGrange, a son Calvin, May 20.

Graber, Henry D. (Mary Kay Yoder) LaGrange, a son Delbert H., May 31.

Hochstedler, Jerome Jr. (Abbie Eash) #1 Rome City, a dau. Joanna, April 25.

Hochstedler, Lamar P. (Esther L. Bontrager) #2 Topeka, a dau. Rose Mary, May 2.

Lambright, Mahlon (Esther Miller) #2 Shipshewana, a dau. Anita Fern, May 24.

Lambright, Orlie (Mary W. Yoder) Topeka, twin sons Raymond O. and Richard O., May 11.

Miller, Atlee J. (Arlene Farmwald) #3 Middlebury, a son Toby, May 12.

Miller, Chris C. (Wilma Schrock) #1 Shipshewana, a dau. Erma, May.
Miller, Larry W. (Elizabeth Schwartz) #2 Shipshewana, a dau.
Wanda, May.

Miller, Mervin M. (Susie Ellen Bender) Topeka, a dau. Mary Lou, May 14.

Miller, Orville (Nettie Miller) #2 Shipshewana, a son Lamar Lynn, May 22.

Miller, Tobias E. (Katie Nisley) #4 LaGrange, a dau. Rosanna K.,

April 27.

Mishler, Freeman (Edna Lehman) LaGrange, a dau. Ruth E., May 17.

Petersheim, Menno (Ida Gingerich) LaGrange, a son David, May 5.

Troyer, Richard R. (Mary H. Lambright) #2 LaGrange, a son Marlin Ray, May 2.

Wingard, Calvin (Ruby Yoder) a dau. Sara, May 11.

Yoder, Amos (Carolyn Troyer) #2 Shipshewana, a dau. Karen Kay, April 26.

Yoder, Samuel (Elizabeth Raber) Shipshewana, a dau. Dorothy S., May 12.

Nappanee, Indiana

Hochstetler, Monroe Jay (Erma Stoltzfus) Nappanee, a son Jeremy.

Hochstetler, Ura M. (Miriam Miller) Nappanee, a son Leander, May

Kauffman, David (Velma Miller) Nappanee, a dau. Lorene, May 8.

Kuhns, Edwin L. (Lydian Schrock) Bremen, a son Leon, May 28.

Miller, Daniel O. (Lena Borkholder) Nappanee, a dau. Edna Sue, May 12.

Miller, David H. (Linda Schwartz) Bremen, a dau. Leora, May 1.

Miller, Lyle (Edith Yoder) Nappanee, a dau. Kaylene, May 12.

Miller, Roman Jr. (Barbara Miller) Nappanee, a son Wendall Jay, May 23.

Schmucker, Melvin J. (Erma Heimuth) Etna Green, a dau. Frieda, May 4.

Schwartz, Ernest (Katie Mae Helmuth) Bourbon, a son Harry Joe, May 24.

#### Daviess County, Indiana

Graber, Alva (Diana Stoll) Loogootee, a dau., May 7.

Knepp, Lloyd (Esther Graber) Washington, a dau. Rebecca, April 26.

#### Ethridge, Tennessee

Stutzman, Noah E. (Rebecca Hostetler) a son Eli, April 11.

#### Bowling Green, Missouri

Mast, Sam A. (Anna Eicher) #3 Bowling Green, a dau. Sarah, May 9.

#### Seymour, Missouri

Schwartz, Jacob G. (Fanny P. Schwartz) a son Joe, May 22.

Schwartz, Sammy J. K. (Maggie E. Schwartz) a son Aaron, April 21.

Schwartz, Sammy J. (Priscilla P. Schwartz) a dau. Priscilla, May 24.

#### Marshfield, Missouri

Graber, Alvin (Mary Edna Miller) a dau. Clara, April 10.

#### LaPlata, Missouri

Borntreger, Mose M. (Mary Ellen Bontrager) a dau. Wilma Mae, May 31.

#### Jamesport, Missouri

Detweiler, Tebie T. (Amanda Troyer) #2 Jamesport, a dau. Lena, May 13.

Kramer, Wayne A. (Lena Gingerich) #2 Jamesport, a son Reuben Jay, May 2.

#### Haven, Kansas

Knepp, Clayton (Ann Fry) a dau. Eva Arlene, May 2.

Buchanan County, Iowa

Bontrager, Freddie (Lydia Shrock), Hazleton, a son Perry, Apr. 30 Nisley, John Jr. (Katie Mast), Hazleton, a dau. Anna, Apr. 13 Yutzy, John (Katie Hershberger), Independence, a son LeeRoy, Apr. 29

#### Johnson County, Iowa

Kauffman, Nerman (Judy Beachy) a dau. Kathryn, May 10. Miller, Duane (Minerva Bontrager) a dau. Lucy, May 11.

#### Utica, Minnesota

Stutzman, John E. (Mary Hershberger) a dau. Betty, April 22.

#### Wilton, Wisconsin

Borntreger, Mahlen (Barbara M. Borntreger) Tomah, a son Alton, April 4.

Hochstetler, Jacob D. (Clara M. Borntreger) Wilton, a son William, May 27.

Yoder, Jacob J. (Mary P. Hochstetler) Wilton, a dau. Rosa, April 6.

#### Cashton, Wisconsin

Gingerich, Edwin E. (Lizzie M. Borntreger) #1 Cashton, a dau. Anna, April 14.

Herschberger, Dan J. (Elizabeth J. Bontrager) #3 Cashton, a son Melvin, April 19.

Miller, Amos J. (Elizabeth M. Hershberger) #3 Cashton, a dau.
Malinda, March 26.

Miller, John Henry (Malinda S. Miller) #3 Cashton, a dau. Alta, April 13.

Yoder, Joe A. (Barbara S. Miller) a dau. Susie, April 21.

\*Yoder, John A. (Erma Miller) #1 Cashton, a son David, March 22.

#### Amherst, Wiscensin

Borntrager, Daniel S. (Susan J. Yoder) Amherst. a dau. Mary, April 27.

Borntrager, Noah A. (Clara R. Bontrager) Amherst, a dau. Kathryn, April 24.

Lambright, Mahlon A. (Mary S. Borntrager) Amherst, a son David.

#### Chesley, Ontario

Stutzman, Jacob K. (Anna Hershberger) a dau. Cevilla, May 15.

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Yoder, Levi J. (Lydia Gingerich) a son Ben, Feb. 29.

Yoder, Roman D. (Lydia Swartzentruber) a son Samuel, March 23.

#### Norwich, Ontario

Miller, Joe L. (Martha D. Shetler) #1 Orrville, a son Levi, May 12. Miller, Levi L. Jr. (Elizabeth J. Shetler) #3 Norwich, a stillborn dau., May 26.

Shetler, Levi D. (Martha G. Miller) #7 Tillsonburg, a dau. Malinda,

# **BAPTISMS**

#### Adams County, Indiana

Joseph L. Schwartz District - March 23, 1980 Jonas Graber, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam D. Graber, New York. Joe L. D., son of Dan W. and Lovina Schwartz Andy W. Jr., son of Andy W. and Emma Schwartz Fannie M., daughter of Menno W. and (deceased) Mary Schwartz Susie W., daughter of Andy W. and Emma Schwartz

Henry K. Hilty District - May 11, 1980 Jake H., son of Henry V. and Anna Eicher Amos B., son of Ben A. and Elizabeth Coblentz Menno H., son of Henry V. and Anna Eicher Amos, son of Tobe and Lovina Swartzentruber Toby, son of Tobe and Lovina Swartzentruber Pete R., son of Menno N. and Rebecca Eicher Veron K., son of Henry K. and Katie Edna Hilty

## **MARRIAGES**

#### Geauga County, Ohio

Byler, Hershberger - Chester, son of Jonas and Anna (Byler) Byler, Middlefield, Ohio to Laura, daughter of Joe and Mary (Miller) Hershberger, May 29.

Byler, Miller - Yost W., son of William and Lizzie (Weaver) Byler, Middlefield, Ohio to Anna Marie, daughter of Dave and Mable (Shrock) Miller, Middlefield, May 22, by Enos Fisher of Pa.

Byler, Shetler - Rudy, son of Dan and Ada (Miller) Byler, Middlefield, Ohio to Marie, daughter of Jonas and Lydia Marie (Shrock) Shetler, May 20.

Detweiler, Miller - Mervin, son Eli and Lizzie (Miller) Detweiler, Middlefield, Ohio to Amanda, daughter of Joe and Lovina (Troyer) Miller, Middlefield, May 29, by Roman Troyer of Holmes County, Ohio.

Miller, Byler - Chester, son of Leroy and Saloma (Miller) Miller, Middlefield, Ohio to Barbara, daughter of Harvey and Alma

(Troyer) Byler, Middlefield, May 22.

Miller, Miller - Freeman D., son of Dan K. and Emma (Miller) Miller, W. Farmington, Ohio to Naomi, daughter of Ervin D. and Ida (Shetler) Miller, Middlefield, May 13, by Jacob U. Gingerich.

Miller, Miller - Andy J., son of Jerry J. P. and Alta Miller, Middlefield, Ohio to Sarah, daughter of Andy J. M. and Emma Miller, Middlefield, Ohio, May 8.

Weaver, Burkholder - Dan L., son of Levi and Anna (Detweiler) Weaver, Middlefield, Ohio to Sarah, daughter of Mose and Lydia (Detweiler) Burkholder, May 8.

Weaver, Miller - David S., son of Sam and Katie (Troyer) Weaver, Middlefield, Ohio to Anna, daughter of Dan M. P. and

Mary A. (Byler) Miller, Middlefield, Ohio, May 15.

Wengerd, Yoder - Clarence, son of Gid and Bertha (Byler) Wengerd, Middlefield, Ohio to Martha, daughter of Lester and Sylvia (Schmucker) Yoder, Middlefield, May 22, by Lester Yoder.

#### Wayne County, Ohio

Miller, Yoder - John J., son of Jacob D. and Emma (Keim) Miller, #2 Dalton, to Anna, daughter of Jacob A. and Jemina (Mast) Yoder, #1 Dundee, May 22, by Roman D. Troyer of #2 Apple Creek.

Yoder, Miller - Andy Jr. Yoder, to Susie, daughter of Roy L. and Fannie (Miller) Miller, May 31, by Isaac I. Miller.

#### Holmes County, Ohio

Beachy, Mast - David, son of Menno S. and Mattie (Miller) Beachy to Katie, daughter of Jacob E. J. and Ada D. (Schlabach) Mast, May 8, by Clarence J. Yoder.

Burkholder, Hershberger - Atlee U., son of Ura and Ada Burkholder, #5 Millersburg, to Elsie, daughter of Mose E. and

Mary Hershberger, #1 Sugarcreek, May 22

Hershberger, Kuhns - Andy E., son of Ervin A. Hershbergers, to Anna, daughter of William Kuhns, #1 Holmesville, May 29.

Hershberger, Troyer - Andy Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Andy Hershberger, #1 Sugarcreek, to Barbara, daughter of Gideon B.

Troyers, #4 Millersburg, May 1, by David E. Yoder.

Mullet, Troyer - John Wayne, son of Andrew E. and Lovina (Yoder) Mullet, #2 Sugarcreek, to Mary Lou, daughter of Levi H. and Anna (Troyer) Troyer, #2 Sugarcreek, March 6, by Abe A. Yoder of #2 Sugarcreek.

Raber, Keim - Roman D., son of Bishop David Rabers, #1 Big Prairie, to Momi, daughter of Alvin and Mary (Miller) Keim, #1

Big Prairie, May 8, by David Raber.

Schlabach, Hershberger - Mervin, son of Nelson A. and Alta Schlabachs, #2 Sugarcreek, to Martha, daughter of Atlee S. and the late Mary Ann (Troyer) Hershberger, Winesburg, May 15, by Abe A. Schlabach of #2 Sugarcreek.

Schlabach, Yoder - Attlee D. son of David and Katie (deceased), #3 Millersburg, to Amanda, daughter of Noah T. and Anna Yoder,

#1 Baltic, May 22.

#### Ashland County, Ohio

Mast, Miller - Ora A., son of Alvin and Edna Mast, #1 Ashland, to Effie, daughter of John E. and Susie Miller, #1 Shiloh, May 22, by David Troyer, Apple Creek.

#### Allen County, Indiana

Hilty, Lengacher - Joseph Jr., son of Joseph and Lavina (Brandenberger), Grabill, to Barbara, daughter of Paul and Fannie (Wittmer), Grabill, May 8, by Samuel C. Graber of Grabill, Ind.

#### Adams County, Indiana

Schwartz, Wickey - John E., son of Christ R. and Elma Schwartz, Monroe, to Adeline L., daughter of Levi R. and Anna Wickey, Berne, May 11.

Schwartz, Schwartz - Leroy B., son of Ernest B. and Barbara Schwartz, Berne, to Barbara, daughter of Amos H. and Lizzie

Schwartz, Monroe, May 29.

#### LaGrange County, Indiana

Bontrager, Kurtz - Duane Lee, son of Clarence and Alice (Bontrager) Bontrager, Topeka, to Catherine, daughter of Jacob and Mary (Miller) Kurtz, Topeka, May 7, by David J. Bontrager.

Bontrager, Miller - Lavern, son of Bishop Perry L. and Katie

(Chupp) Bontrager, Shipshewana, to Linda, daughter of Ora and Ella (Lehman) Miller, Topeka, May 15, by Perry L. Bontrager.

Borkholder, Yoder - Herbert, son of Roman Borkholders, Illinois, to Vera, daughter of Will and Katie (Frey) Yoder,

Shipshewana, May 15, by Elvie Frye.

Helmuth, Beechy - Ivan Ray, son of John and Cora (Knepp) Helmuth, Nappanee, to Katie, daughter of Aaron and Polly (Hershberger) Beechy, Topeka, May 9, by John J. Helmuth of Nappanee.

Knepp, Beechy - Christy Jr., son of Chris and Mary (Lambright) Knepp, LaGrange, to Irma, daughter of Daniel and Alma (Miller)

Beechy, Topeka, by John J. Helmuth, Nappanee.

Lehman, Eicher - Orva E., son of Ervin and Lydia (Hochstedler) Lehman, LaGrange, to Rosetta, daughter of Amos and Edna (Miller) Eicher, White Pigeon, Mich., May 1, by Ervin Lehman.

Lehman, Hostetler - Joni, son of the late Yost and Katie Lehman to Miriam, daughter of Menno Hostetlers, Missouri, May 22

Miller, Bontrager - Eli A., son of Amos U. and Fannie (Bontrager) Miller and Elsie, daughter of Harley and Orpha (Lambright) Miller, May 21.

Miller, Mullet - Ernest, son of Harvey and Susie (Miller) Miller, to Linda, daughter of Melvin and Mary (Bontrager) Mullet, May

Schrock, Yoder - Jacob, son of Andy and the late Katie (Petersheim) Schrock, to Mattie, daughter of Joe W. and Ella (Bontrager) Schrock, May 21, by Jacob Petersheim.

Wingard, Chupp - Elmer, son of the late Perry and Wilma (Schrock) Wingard, to Leanna, daughter of William and Lydia (Miller) Chupp, by Amos Lehman of Nappanee.

Yoder, Bontrager - Joas, son of Freeman and Mary Alice (Miller) Yoder, to Lillian, daughter of Ralph and Polly (Miller)

Bontrager.

Nappanee, Indiana

Hochstetler, Miller - Everett, son of Lonnie and Verba Hochstetler, Nappanee, to Joanna, daughter of Henry and Wilma Yoder, Nappanee, May 8, by Walter Ray Schwartz, Etna Green,

Miller, Schmucker - Wilbur S., son of Simon and Rosa Miller, to Carolyn, daughter of Rudy and Mary Schmucker, West Union,

Ohio, May 14, by Alton Bontrager, Middlebury, Ind.

Schmucker, Helmuth - Gary, son of Oscar and Kate Schmucker, Nappanee, to Susan, daughter of Joseph and Nora Helmuth, May 7, by Eli J. Yoder of Bremen, Indiana.

Schrock, Hochstetler - Gilbert, son of Noah Schrock, to Edith, daughter of Willis and Sarah Hochstetler, #3 Nappanee, May 1, by

Tobias Slabaugh.

**Daviess County, Indiana** 

Graber, Knepp - Solomon, son of Paul and Rosa Graber, to Verda, daughter of Albert and Lydia Knepp, May 25, by Fred W. Knepp.

Pike County, Missouri

Borntreger, Borntrager - Elmer, son of Roman and Barbara Berntreger, Huntingdon, Tennessee, to Margaret, daughter of Willard and Katie Borntrager, Curryville, Missouri, May 1, by

Troyer, Mast - Ben, son of Dan and Mattie Troyer, Snyder County, Pa., to Lizzieann, daughter of Felty and Barbara Mast, Curryville, Missouri, May 15, by Ura Yoder.

Jamesport, Missouri

Knepp, Bontrager - Kenneth D., son of David and Anna Mae Knepp, Jamesport, to Wilma, daughter of Levi S. and Irene Bontrager, Jamesport, May 8, by Reuben S. Bontrager, Amherst,

Yoder, Schrock - Ervin J., son of John and Ada Yoder, Jamesport, to Katie Mae, daughter of Eli and Verna Schrock, Jamesport, May 7, by Dave Schrock of Haven, Kansas.

Utica, Minnesota

Yoder, Shetler - David, son of Amos J. and Lydia (Schmucker) Yoder, to Alma, daughter of Atlee J. and Sarah (Mast) Shetler, April 17, by Atlee J. Shetler.

#### Cashton, Wisconsin

Yoder, Miller - Aden A., son of Aden and Mattie Yoder, to Alma, daughter of Monroe G. and Malinda Miller, #3 Cashton, May 8, by John J. Schmucker of #3 Cashton.

#### Wilton, Wisconsin

Borntreger, Borntreger - Edward A., son of Amos V. Borntreger, Augusta, to Mary, daughter of Jonas C. Borntreger, Wilton, April 24, by Jonas Borntrager of Clark, Missouri.

St. Marys County, Ontario

Hochstetler, Coblentz - John A., son of Abe and Nettie (Hostetler) Hochstetler, to Frieda, daughter of John Henry and Anna (Coblentz) Coblentz, #1 Lakeside, Ontario, April 17, by Noah Coblentz.

## **ORDINATIONS**

Centre County [Brush Valley] Pennsylvania

Benjamin B. Stoltzfus, 25, Madisonburg, son of Omer and Fannie Stoltzfus, was ordained minister, May 3. Others in the lot were: Omer Stoltzfus, Jonas Stoltzfus, Samuel Beiler, Ammon Miller and Jacob Stoltzfus. He is married to Fannie, daughter of Jacob and Lydia Stoltzfus, Rebersburg, Pa.

#### Dauphin County, Pennsylvania

Jonathan King, 32, Star Route, Spring Glen, Pa., son of Christ and Katie King, #1 Kinzers, Pa. was ordained minister, on May 1. le is married to Rachel Riehl, daughter of David and Sarah Riehl, Kirkwood, Pa. Other in the lot were: Elam Lapp, Benuel Fisher, Sam Stoltzfus and Elam Stoltzfus.

#### Dover, Delaware

Samuel H. Mast, 52, #2 Dover, was ordained minister in Middle South District on April 13. He is the son of the late Henry S. Masts and is married to Dora, daughter of Enos J. and Susie Yoder.

#### Snyder County, Pennsylvania

Ben R. Hostetler, 24, was ordained minister in McClure, Pa. district, by Bishop S. John Hostetler, May 4. He is married to Lena, daughter of Bishop S. John Hostetler.

Selemen C. Hostetler, 31, was ordained Bishop in Church Lane District by Bishop John J. S. Yoder and Bishop S. John Hostetler.

#### Geauga County, Ohio

Dan A. Byler, 37, Middlefield, Ohio, son of Andy and Katie Byler, Middlefield, was ordained minister on May 8, in the Middlefield Northeast District. He is married to Ada, daughter of Jerry and Ada Miller, Middlefield, Ohio.

Crist J. Detweiler, 35, Mayfield Rd. Winsor, Ohio, son of John and Saloma Detweiler, Middlefield, was ordained minister, April 27, in the Elmer Miller District. He is married to Mary, daughter

of Dan and Emma Hostetler, Middlefield, Ohio.

Enos D. Detweiler, 29, Bloomfield, Ohio, son of Dan and Lydia Detweiler, W. Farmington, Ohio, married to Betty, daughter of Dan and Sarah Byler, Middlefield, Ohio was ordained minister in the Bloomfield District on May 18.

Andy A. Miller Jr., 34, Middlefield, Ohio, son of Andy and Mattie Miller, Middlefield, Ohio, married to Ada, daughter of Ervin and Sarah Miller, Middlefield, Ohio, was ordained minister in the Roman Troyer District on May 3. There were 9 in the lot.

Freeman G. Miller, 43, Bundesburg Rd., Middlefield, Ohio, son of Gid and Emma Miller, Middlefield, Ohio, married to Sara, daughter of John and Saloma Detweiler, Middlefield, was ordained minister in the Bundysburg Rd., Northeast District on May 24. There were 8 in the lot.

Wallace J. Miller, 30, Middlefield, Ohio, son of John and Ida Miller, Middlefield, Ohio, married to Barbara, daughter of John and Sara Detweiler, Middlefield, was ordained minister in the

Mespo Hill District on May 3.

Milo L. Mullet, 51, Kinsman Rd., Middlefield, Ohio, son of Lester and Mattie Mullet (both deceased), married to Amanda, daughter of Andy and Ada Troyer (both deceased), was ordained deacon in the Mespotamia District on April 27.

#### Wayne County, Ohio

Alfred Stutzman, 33, #2 Apple Creek, son of Dan E. Stutzman, #2 Apple Creek, was ordained minister on April 29 in the Ashery East District. He is married to Katie, daughter of the late Ezra and Anna Chupp. There were 13 in the lot.

Ervin Yoder, 23, #2 Fredericksburg, was ordained minister on May 7 in the Ashery West District. He is the son of Eli D. and Mary (Yoder) Yoder, #2 Fredericksburg. There were 9 in the lot.

#### Holmes County, Ohio

Dan R. Erb, 23, #1 Baltic, Ohio, son of Mrs. Susie (Yoder) Erb and the late Reuben Erb, was ordained minister, May 6. He is married to Ada, daughter of Henry E. and Katie (Hershberger)

Attlee J. Miller, 32, #1 Baltic, Ohio, son of John J. and Mary Ann Miller, #1 Baltic, was ordained minister, May 4. He is married

to Fannie, daughter of Andy G. and Lizzie (Raber) Yoder.

Eli J. Yoder, 40, #1 Sugarcreek, Ohio, son of Jacob J. and Sarah Yoder, #4, Millersburg, was ordained deacon on May 3. He is married to Verba, daughter of Crist A. and Cora (Troyer) Miller. Others in the lot were: Dan J. Troyer, Dan D. Yoder, Abe R. Kramer, Jonas M. Beachy, Jonas J. Troyer, Joseph R. Miller, Ervin J. Mullet and Emery R. Miller.

#### Allen County, Indiana

David L. Graber, 41, #2 Grabill, Indiana, son of Daniel and Barbara (Lengacher) Graber (deceased), was ordained bishop, May 18, with Noah Graber in the lot with him. He is married to Mary Ann, daughter of Samuel J. and Hannah (deceased) (Miller) Graber, Grabill, Ind.

#### Seymour, Missouri

Petie W. Schwartz, was ordained minister on May 4.

#### Cashton, Wisconsin

Atlee A. Miller, 37, #1 Ontario, son of Abe Miller, Conewango

Valley, N. Y. He is married to Sovilla, daughter of Mahlon and Emma Summers, LaFarge, Wisconsin.

# **OBITUARIES**

Beiler, Benjamin F., 61, #3 Quarryville died at his home Tuesday, May 6, at 11:30 p. m. following a lengthy illness. Born in Leacock Township, he was the son of the late David M. and Lizzie Yoder Beiler. He was a farmer and a

member of the Old Order Amish Church.

Surviving are his wife, Naomi (Stoltzfus) Beiler, three daughters, Annie, wife of Daniel R. Beiler, #1 Kirkwood, Lizzie, wife of John K. Beiler, #1 Ronks, and Mary, wife of Simeon Esh, #3 Quarryville, three sons, Samuel S. Beiler, #2 Howard, Daniel S. and Bennie S., both of #3 Quarryville, and 29 grandchildren. Also surviving are five sisters, Mary, wife of Daniel Fisher, and Fannie, wife of Aquilla Stoltzfus, both of Gordonville, Katie, wife of Abe Kinsinger, Myersdale, Barbara, wife of Samuel Lapp, Ronks, and Hannah, wife of Samuel Zook, Lancaster, and three brothers, Samuel Y. Beiler, Spring Run, and Aaron Y. and John Y. Beiler, both of #1 Bird-in-Hand.

Funeral services were held on Friday at 9 a. m. Burial at the

Georgetown Cemetery.

Bontrager, Manass D., 74, Middlefield, Ohio

died on Wednesday, May 21, at the age of 74 years, 6 months and 6 days. He had emphysema for years, but died quite suddenly in his brother's home, where he resided. Born November 15, 1905. He was married to Ada Mae Byler, February 7, 1932. Surviving besides his wife 6 sons, Henry, Allen, Freeman, Ray,

Wayne, Lee Adam and 2 daughters, Ruth Ann and Esther Sue Funeral services were held Saturday, May 24 at Lee Bontrager.

Bontrager, Manas A., 76, #1 Shipshewana

died Friday, May 16, at his hime from an apparent heart attack. He was born January 7, 1904, and was a farmer, living all his life at his present home. He was married February 4, 1926, to Elizabeth Miller, who survives.

Surviving besides his wife are five daughters, Mrs. William (Amanda) Yoder and Mrs. Joe (Betty) Wingard and Neomah Bontrager, all of Shipshewana, Mrs. Jerry (Edna) Yoder, LaGrange and Mrs. Wilbur (Martha) Schrock, Blackville, S. C.; six sons, Ervin, Mahlon and Joni, all of Shipshewana, Manas Jr. and John, both of Topeka, and Levi of Ligonier; three sisters, Mrs. Barbara Miller, Middlebury, Mrs. Emma Yoder of Topeka and Mrs. John (Amelia) Schrock, Goshen, 70 grandchildren and 22 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Monday at 9:30 a.m. in the family home with Bishop Amos U. Miller and the Rev. Noah J. Miller

officiating. Burial was in the Bontrager Cemetery.

Bontrager, Susie Y. (Miller), 71, Buchanan County, Iowa

died on April 9, her age was 71 years, 3 months and 15 days. She was a daughter of Yost and Barbara (Hershberger) Miller, born December 24, 1908. She was married to Eli J. Bontrager, August 4, 1977. They lived in matrimony 2 years, 8 months and 3 days.

Leaves to mourn a deeply bereaved husband, 10 step-children, Lydia, wife of Jacob E. Petersheim, Katie, wife of Jake L. Petersheim, Willie, husband of Edna Petersheim, Ida, wife of Deacon Chrissie J. Gingerich, all of Clark, Missouri, widow Sara Bontrager (Mrs. Enos E.) (Enos died from cancer on August 9. 1971), Jamesport, Missouri, Ella, wife of David Yutzy, Bloomfield, Iowa, Jonas, husband of Sara Gingerich, Mose, husband of Amanda Hershberger, both of Clark, Missouri, Clara, wife of Neal Hershberger, Mary, wife of Harvey Bontrager, both of Fairbanks, Iowa, 77 grandchildren, 111 great-grandchildren, 3 sisters, 2 brothers, 28 nephews and 19 nieces. Her father, mother, 3 sisters and 2 brothers preceded her in death.

> Before our eyes Mother slowly faded Getting weaker day by day Till God in His Heavenly Wisdom Called her peacefully away.

The way you had to suffer, Mother Was hard for us to bear But now you are sleeping In the Saviour's loving care.

Your willing hands are resting Your dear warm heart is stilled A place is vacant in our home Which never can be filled.

Yet again we hope to meet thee, When the day of life is fled, And in Heaven with Joy to meet thee, Where no farewell tears are shed.

We often sit and think of you, And speak of how you died, To think how you suffered Before you closed your eyes.

Friends, may think we have forgotten, When at times they see us smile, But they little know the heartache, That our smile hides all the while.

The lonely husband and family

Dienner, Susan Ada, 16, #1 Gap

died Sunday afternoon, May 4, after she was thrown from the window of a car, as it was traveling on New Holland Road in Leacock Township. See community note. See was the daughter of Isaac L. and Barbara S. (Glick) Dienner. Born in Gap, she attended the Old Order Amish Church and was employed at the Miller's Bake Shop, #1 Bird-in-Hand.

Surviving besides her parents are these brothers and sisters, Annie K., wife of Alvin Stoltzfus, #1 Kinzers, Sarah L., wife of John K. King, Rehrersburg, Jacob R., #1 Gap, Katherine, wife of Daniel S. Smucker Jr., Lancaster, Gideon G., #2 Gap, David W. Stratford, N. J., Orpha Stoltzfus, #1 Gordonville, Miriam S., wife of Daniel R. Esh, Campbellsburg, Ind., Rebecca G., Amos G., Marcus G., Barbara Ann and Isaac Lee, all at home, and a paternal grandmother, Sarah L. Dienner, #1 Gap.

Funeral services were held on Wednesday, May 7, at 12:00 noon, at the Dienner residence. Anfang by Amos Otto, main sermon by Abe Gingerich, both from Illinois. Burial at Millwood

Cemetery.

Esh, Samuel J., 8, Mechanicsville, Maryland

died Thursday, May 22, after being hit by a car on the way home from the school picnic. Born in Adams County, Pennsylvania, December 23, 1971, he was a son of John F. Jr. and Ada (Yoder)

Surviving are his parents and 4 brothers and 4 sisters, from age 13 down, Elizabeth, Katie, Simeon, Solomon, Daniel, Susie, Salome and Moses. Grandparents are John F. Esh Srs of Franklin County (Cumberland Valley) Pennsylvania and Sol Yoders of Mechanicsville, Maryland.

Funeral services were held on Saturday, May 24 at the home by Jacob Stoltzfus and Amos Stoltzfus. Lied by Levi Swarey. At the graveyard lied was read by Enos Esh of Lancaster. Abshied by Isaac Stoltzfus of Gettysburg area. Burial in Hertzler Cemetery.

Gingerich, Emanuel P., 78, Ethridge, Tennessee

died on April 19, after a long illness.

Funeral services were held on April 22. Many friends and relatives attended from Ohio, Minnesota, Iowa, New York and Canada.

Hershberger, Lydia C., 77, Burton, Ohio

died Wednesday, May 7 at her home, at the age of 77 years, 4 months and 25 days. Born in Troy Township, Ohio on December 12, 1902, she was the daughter of Crist Kauffmans. She was married to Neil I. Hershberger on November 22, 1922. She had been feeling well and helping her daughter Amanda with hand sewing. Very suddenly she got a severe headache and passed away

in a half an hour. Death is believed to be from a stroke.

Surviving besides her husband are 3 sons, Crist, Burton, Neil, Dover, Delaware, Noah, Burton, 1 step-son, Jonas, Burton, 6 daughters, Anna (Mrs. Eli E. Miller), Middlefield, Elmina (Mrs. Jonas Shrock), Burton, Tillie (Mrs. Abe W. Miller) Dayton, Ada (Mrs. Raymond Miller) Burton, Miss Amanda Hershberger, at home, Lydiann (Mrs. Robert Detweiler) Milton, Iowa. 4 step-daughters, Mrs. Fannie Yoder, Middlefield, Emma (Mrs. Albert Yoder), Lizzieann (Mrs. Alvin Miller), Burton, Sarah (Mrs. Freeman Miller), Middlefield, 2 brothers, 3 sisters, 129

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# English Martyr

Submitted by J. T. Wickey

Sources unknown

There lived a certain person at Exeter, England on the year 1530. As cardinal Wolsey who ruled England under Henry Vill, used all diligence to destroy hersey, that William Tyndale had brought into England, by secretly shipping in the english New Testament. This had aroused the wrath of the cardinal and the catholic priests. The cardinal and priests were spreading terror in England as they diligently persecuted and inprisoned the heretics. As Zwingli was doing in Switzerland. Anyone caught with a Tyndale New Testament was charged for a heretic and was thrown into the tower, and there it was usually no mercy.

Now during this time there lived at Exeter England one by name Thomas Benet from Cambridge, who had been made master of arts, well learned and of a godly disposition. There he heard Thomas Bilney preach and became his friend to preach the truth. This man the more he did read the Latin New Testament, the more increased in the knowledge of God and His Holy Word, but because of his increasing danger on account of the persecution, he fled to Torrington, where he took up the occupation as a school teacher to maintain his wife, after being there one year he went to the city of Exeter and taught school there. The time he had to spare from teaching he gave wholly to his private study of the scriptures. He was of a quiet behavior, of a godly conversation and a very courteous nature, and very desirous to learn of others of God's true religion. In this city he lived for 6 years without being discovered. But seeing and hearing the dishonor of God and the superstition in the church he could endure no longer but must need for his own part, for the testimony of his conscience and for defense of God's true religion, would yield himself, if need be, if God would give him grace to die and shed his blood, for the truth sake. Thereupon he took scrolls or placards and wrote upon them "The Pope is antichrist: and we ought to worship God only, and no saints." This dome he took in hand and by cover of darkness to the public cathedral and fastened them on the doors. In due time these placards were discovered and it aroused the wrath of the priests who tore them down. With fiery zeal they went about seeking for the offender, the heretic who with utmost diligence searching many houses for books by heretics, they were unable to find him. Therefore to keep the people under the superstition of popery the doctors were ordered to the pulpit everyday, to confute this heresay. Nevertheless this Thomas Benet kept his own doings in secret. While the mayor and his officers were seeking after the author of these blasphemies, the bishop and all his doctors. To be short the brains of the cannons and priests, the officers of that city were very earnestly seeking by what means such an enourmous heretic, who had put up those bills might be known.

Since they could not find him, the second Sunday there was an assembling of the whole row of priests,

monks, bishops and commons to preform the curse against this unknown heretic. The cathedral was crowded and Benet was among the spectators. One of the priests all in white ascended up into the pulpit. The other rabblement of friers, and certain superstitious monks of St. Nicholas standing round about and the cross (after custom) fixed with wax and holy candles. One of the priests delivered a sermon on the words "There is an accursed thing in the midst of thee O Isreal." The bishop drew near the cross and pronounced the curse against the offender. He took one of the tapers and said, "Let the soul of the unknown heretic, if he be dead already, be quenched this night in the pains of hell-fire, as this candle is now quenched and put out," and with that he put out the candle. Then, taking off the second, he continued, "and let us pray to God if he be yet alive, that his eyes be put out, and that all the senses of his body may fail him, as now the light of this candle is gone," and quenched the second candle. After this one of the priests went up to the cross to take it away, and it fell with a noise made reechoing along the roof so frightened the spectators that they uttered a shriek of terror and held up their hands to heaven, as if to pray that the divine curse might not fall on them. Benet, a witness of this comedy could not forbear smiling. "What are you laughing at" asked his neighbors "here is the heretic, here is the heretic, hold him fast. This created great confusion among the crowd, some shouting, others running to and fro, but owing to the tumult, Benet succeeded in making his escape.

The excommunication did but increase his desire to attack the Romish superstition, and accordingly before daylight, October 1530, his servant boy fastened up again by his orders on the cathedral gates, some bills

going early to mass saw the boy and running up to him, caught hold of him and pulled down the papers, and then dragged the boy with one hand and with the papers in the other, he went to the mayer of the city. Bennet's servant was recognized, his master was

immediately arrested and put in stocks, and in strong

irons, with as much favor, as much favor as a dog would

similar to those torn down. It chanced that a citizen

find," says the author. For a whole week, not only the bishops, but all the priests and Friars of the city, visited Benet night and day, to prove to him that the Roman Church is the true church. "God has given me grace to be of a better church" he said. "Do you not know that

ours is built upon St. Peter?" He got many visitors of the holy order, some of which reviled him and said, the devil tempts you, you heretic, and others spit on him with contempt. Benet made answer, "I would rather die thanworship the whore of Babylon, a false usurper

as does appear by her doings. They asked "what did he that he has not power and authority to do being God's vicar? Benet said, he sells the sacrement of the church for money, he selleth the remissions of sins daily for

money, and so do you likewise, and you spare not to make lying sermons to the people to maintain your truditions and fool gains, the whole world does begin now to note your doings, to your utter confusion and

shame. They answered "the shame be on you, you fool heretic! Will you allow nothing done in the holy

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Catholic church? What a preverse heretic are you?

"I am no heretic for which I thank Christ and allow all

things to the edifying of the soul."

"O thou blind and unlearned fool! said they. Is not the confession of all the world as we confess that the popes holiness is the supreme head and vicar of Christ?

Benet said, "That is because they are blinded and

know not the scriptures."

Priests "you are so malicious that you will confess no church, does not the pope confess the true gospel? Do not we all the same?

Yes said Benet, but ye deny the fruits thereof ye

build upon sand and not upon rocks.

At length they brought to him a learned doctor of theology, who they supposed would surely convert him. "Our ways are Gods ways" said the doctor. But he soon discovered that theologians can do nothing against the word of the Lord. He only is my way who said, "I am the way, the truth and the life." In His way will I walk, His truth will I embrace, His everlasting life will I seek."

After this he was condemned to be burned.

The priests placed Benet in the hands of the sheriff on the 15th January, 1531, by whom he was conducted to the Livery-dole a field outside the city, where the stake was prepared. When Benet arrived at the place of execution, he briefly exhorted the people but with such unction, that the sheriff's clerk, as he heard him exclaimed, "Truly this is a servant of God." Two persons however seemed unmoved: they were Thomas Carew and John Barnehouse, both holding the station of gentlemans. Going up to the martyr, they exclaimed in a threatening voice, "Say, pray to holy Mary and all the saints of God." "I know no other advocate but Jesus Christ'' replied Benet. Barnehouse was so enraged at these words, that he took a furze brush upon a pike, and setting it on fire, thrust it into the martyr's face, exclaiming, "Accursed heretic, pray to our Lady or I will make you do it." "Alas!" replied Benet patiently. "Trouble me not" and then holding up his hands, he prayed, "Father forgive them!" The executioners immediately set fire to the wood, and the most fanatical of the spectators, both men and women, seized with an indescribable fury, tore up stakes and bushes. and whatever they could lay their hands on, and flung them into the flames to increase their violence. Benet, lifting up his eyes to heaven exclaimed, "Lord receive my spirit." Thus died, in the 16th century, a noble martyr.

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If you wake in the morning and feel a bit blue,
And wondering what is the matter with you.

Don't go on a grouch the rest of the day,
And make other people the penalty pay.

Just try to suppress it and put on a grin,
And no one will know what has happened within.

Speak a kind word and do a good deed,
And others your actions will certainly heed.

Twas long ago said, but today it is true,
As you measure to others it is meted to you.

# Tobacco Raising in the early 1900's

By Joseph Gallagher, Lancaster, Penna.

Perhaps there may be those among your readers who would be interested in the method of growing and marketing the tobacco crop in the Gap, Intercourse, and White Horse area in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania back in the first decade of this century. At that time the writer spent many days in fields of a number of area farmers, particularly at the Eby farm, formerly the Christian Umble farm, located midway between Millwood and Gap, in eastern Lancaster County.

The first effort in preparing the plots, whether large or small, was the spreading of lime, phosphate, and organic fertilizer preparatory to cultivation and readying the soil for the planting. Yearly crop rotation was practiced with tobacco just the same as with wheat, corn, and rye. Of late years, I have noticed tobacco strip farming amidst other field crops. This practice was

unknown in the early 1900's.

While I do not know how the young tobacco plants are started today that become the marketable tobacco crop later on. I doubt that many farmers in those days took as much trouble to attend to this as did Jeff Doutrich, a Civil War veteran who lived at the corner of Byerstown Road about a half mile west of the Millwood School, where it joined the Gap road leading southward.

In the early spring, Jeff dug up his entire rather large garden and installed boarded beds, three feet wide by six to eight feet in length to accommodate his customers by sowing tobacco seed and caring for the seedlings. After this preliminary work was completed, a passerby would see a whole garden full of white muslin-covered tobacco beds. Here a farmer came to reserve a bed of young plants commensurate with the proposed acreage he planned to plant. A majority of the nearby farmers obtained their tobacco plants in this way, rather than starting their own from seed. In those days, there was no governmental restriction on tobacco raising such as there is today, and few people worried about whether tobacco smoking might be bad for their health.

After that, if my memory serves, there was an interval during which the young plants were in the period of growth, with little to be done until topping became necessary. Prior to the final development of the young plants before replanting, some farmers though not all paid attention to worming the stalks, in which process workers would pass along the rows to pick off and destroy the worms that often ate the leaves, rendering a loss to the best leaves. The best leaves were known to the market as wrappers, while the less developed or smaller leaves were classed as fillers. Oft times in the buying market a third grade, known as ground leaves, commanded a reduced price per pound, as company buyers came to buy up an entire crop.

Following the topping of the stalks, in a short interval growths would commence to appear at the base of the leaf where it joins the stem. If these were not removed, they would grow and flower just the same as the top,

thus reducing the quality and strength of the leaves.

The preliminary work preceding this summary of tobacco growing was dependent on the acreage that the particular farmer desired to plant. In those days, if his intention was to plant 10-15 acres, it would be necessary to have two or three helpers, in addition to himself and his hired man, to take care of all the work. Many sharecroppers only farmed one or two acres of tobacco and needed no hired help at all, except at harvest.

Next came the "back-breaking" job of dropping the young plants along tilled rows at about 18 inches intervals (if memory recalls) and then pressing them firmly into the furrows. It was only a short time after my ceasing to work in the fields, in 1909, that the first tobacco-planting machine made its appearance, whereby two men sat close to mother earth at the rear of the horse-drawn, driven machine, and dropped a plant into the furrow intermittent with each click of the machine, which automatically sealed the dropped plant in place. I presume this planting process is still the same today.

After the planting was completed, in a week or two, it was time for the crust surrounding the plant to be broken, to induce proper growth. Although harrows were in vogue in those times, farmers generally preferred the use of the hoe instead, to reduce the need for too much replanting of young plants which had been uprooted by the harrow teeth.

Following a lull during which other crops, such as hay and wheat for winter feeding are processed, the tobacco is maturing and ripening. Then in September to early October cutting and curing is commenced.

Alas! Allow me to interject the observation that tragedy sometimes occurs at this stage. I well remember instances when a severe hail storm would pass over and riddle a fine crop in a matter of minutes, rendering it unmarketable and fit only to be returned to the soil. Even a milder hail storm, causing scattered leaf holes, served to reduce the price per pound that

buyers would offer.

No doubt the same routine is followed today as of vore, in cutting what can be reasonably handled in a given time, while the cut stalks lay uniformly for wilting so that there is little breakage of the leaves when spearing four to five cut plants to laths of equal length. Then the tobacco is transported to air vent sheds for drying and curing. In those early days, the transporting was done entirely by flatbed wagons built with bars to each side equal in length to the wagon itself, and the exact spread of the lath, which was about four and one-half feet. After being taken to the sheds, a number of helpers would engage in hanging the filled laths on prearranged scantling the same width apart as the wagon bars. The hanging started in the top tiers of the shed and moved down to the lower tiers, to completion. The laths were hung in the sheds with at least six inches separation to prevent burning during the curing stage.

In Kentucky, where this narrative is being written, they grow burley, which is a different leaf from seed leaf, the Pennsylvania strain. But the field-to-shed hauling process is done on flatbed wagons, just as it is in Lancaster County, and the hanging, airdrying and curing are much the same.

Following the hanging, there is a time of waiting until winter sets in. During occasional mid-winter damp weather periods, the tobacco laths are taken down from the shed and stored in a dark room adjoining the farmer's stripping room. The stripping room has a long bench which extends along the window side to let in natural light for the benefit of the workers as they strip. The laths are brought in out of storage and the leaves are stripped from the stalk or stem. Then sizing and grading take place. Leaves of equal length and quality are bound together into a small bunch, or hand. After a sufficient number have been assembled, they are placed in a presser which turns them into bales with heavy manila-type baling paper, ready for the market.

Please remember that all this follows the pattern of preparation as it was done in the 1900-1910 period and could be vastly different today. I'm not sure whether the manner of selling the crop remains today as it was then. In those early days, the buyers for the Lancaster merchants would visit a farm to inspect the quality and manner of preparing. They would remove a hand or bound bunch from a bale for inspection and then make an offer for the different grades. This offer could of course be accepted or rejected by the farmer. Ofttimes a rejection did occur because the price per pound for the wrappers (first grade) and fillers (second grade) was thought by the farmer as being too low for him to

make a reasonable profit.

I well remember a farmer who invariable sold his crop at the first offer, year after year, claiming that he felt he was ahead in the game, especially if the offer was a straight price per pound for the entire crop. (Sometimes a buyer would offer, for example, 20 cents a pound for all grades, rather than a higher price for the wrappers and a much lower price for the filers and still lower price for the ground leaves.) This farmer may have reasoned that he was considerably ahead by selling early because he could then sell a higher total weight. It is a known fact that a crop held in storage until Spring dries out somewhat, thus losing valuable pounds in the final weigh in at the tobacco warehouse. As I recall, there was an occasional grower who would use watering before delivery, to counteract this weight loss. This drew a settlement penalty as well as future suspicion.

Later in the Winter and in early Spring, one could visit the Lancaster warehouses and see flat-bottom horse-drawn wagons galore piled high at the delivery centers with the baled tobacco to climax the year's labor.

This, Diary readers, concludes my recollection of tobacco farming the first decade of the present century.

# The Home of the Soul

That unchangeable home is for you and for me Where Jesus of Nazereth stands.

The King of all Kingdoms forever is He,
And He holdest our Crown in His Hands.

And how sweet it will be in that beautiful land,
So sweet from all sorrow and pain.

With songs on our lips and harps in our hands,
To meet one another again.

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1d, verkauft werden. Die Farm ist mit Cedar Riegel gut eingefenzt und Meilen von Neu-Hamburg, 5 von Shkespeare und 2 von Baden; in allen diesen Orten und Steams oder andere Muissen und

egen gut verbürgte Versprechungsnoten. Für das Grundstück find die Bedingungen sehr liberel und werden solche am Berkausstage scheinen und zu setteln.

John S. Schwarzentruber, Machlaß-Executoren.

# Our Fatherland in America

The Ebersol Family

This is a well known family in Lancaster while in most other Amish communities it may be rarely known and in some communities unheard of. But even in Lancaster County it will fall in a minority group family. In popularity it will rank after the Miller, Petersheim and Riehl families, which are about alike, but before the Kauffman family which follows, according to the 1973 Lancaster County directory, which lists about 30 families. Of course at this date (1980) there are many more.

While Bishop Jonas Ebersol stands much alone, on Rabers' Ministers' list, there are other Ebersols who were in the ministry in the past. His Uncle Jonas Ebersol was a well known minister, which office he

served faithfully for many years.

Although Lancaster County and vicinity seems to hold nearly all of this family name they are not at all confined to this area. John Ebersol moved from Lancaster County to Milverton, Ontario in the early 1900's, where most of his descendants are found today. He was well known as the inventor of the Ebersol self feeder for the grain thresher and owned a plant to manufacter them at Milverton where they produced a large volumn of them in their time. His first self feeder was, however, built in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania.

Preceding generations of Ebersols in general possessed an ability of mechanical incline which has a tendency to follow succeeding generations. Perhaps more of the Ebersols were occupied as threshers, sawmillers and other shop and mechanical operations than were farmers. In general they are tall with sturdy framed stature which they probably possess from their European ancestor.

Along the feminine line a likewise distinction exists. They are particulary adapt to craft as weaving, basketmaking, decorate painting as the front cover shows their ability to artwork. Especially one family or sisters, produced more fractur work than any other Amish family of all times in America. (See front cover).

Now that the present generation of the Amish Ebersol family is generally confined to eastern Pennsylvania and Canada in paternal lines the maternal line, like other families, according to the law of nature, are more widespread. While the maternal line, however is somewhat limited to general kin boundries, a number of Schwartz families are found to reside in Adams County, Indiana that descend from the John Ebersol clan of Milverton, Ontario. One of this family in turn married to Deacon Ernest Girod in Bradford County, Pennsylvania.

#### The Aebersold-Ebersoles in Europe

While this family name is hardly found in early Anabaptist records it is highly likely that they did not become adapt to the Mennonites until around the turn of the seventeenth century. After 1700 they do however begin to appear on Bern Tauferaccounts and the family may have been native to that country for centuries before. By these brief accounts the origin of the name

cannot be determined however.

From the files of our available Anabaptist records, the first one to appear is Catri Aebersold on a list in "Bernese Taufer" by Ernst Muller in 1709.

It was in this period of time that the revised Anabaptist commissioners of Bern became quite active. Athough established already in 1702, that a fresh force of Anabaptist hunters were employed to carefully hunt and seize every last heretic, as they were called to rid them from the land by deporting them. Although the first series of actions did not bring to effect as expected by government authorities. While the council claimed that they have already deported 500 taufer, local commissioners stated that many have returned to their homes again. On a 1709, prison on the island, (Bern) record appears a list of sixteen taufer who were found to have reappeared in the land. Benedict Brachbuhl of Traxelwald, already 20 years a taufer and 10 years a minister, was deported twice already and is reported to be at home again. Christen Krahenbuhl was also deported twice and is now reported to have been seen at a taufer church service. Many more are listed likewise and it is on this list that Catri Aebersold from Signau is listed with six other women who were seized from their husbands and family to be deported. Here Muller makes it clear that ehegatten or married people were seperated when one of the partner adhered to the Anabaptist faith, while the other was yet a member of the state church or sometimes yet undecided. The list also includes, Peter Thonen from Reutigen, a single youth who appears alone from a family. Other times young virgins may appear the same way.

Most, or all, of these have first been cast into prison or placed in the newly erected reformatory, where they received a diet of bread and water and forced to undue stress and manual labor. At one point the council declared that the prisons in Bern are all full whereupon they advised banishment to the galleys. Through appeal of their Dutch Brethren by intercession letters, they consented to deport them overseas to America. Kind providence provided a place for them to go until conditions in America became ripe for them to

establish.

Kathrarina Ebersold is listed on another account with a different spelling, which is likely the same person. It is interesting to observe that this family name is now given as Ebersold when written by a taufer and Aebersold when written by state clerks. It is appearant that this taufer family has fancied this spelling which they have maintained until today with the exception that at the end of the name many replace the "d" with an "e" and our particular family has omitted the last letter altogether.

This last mentioned list is furnished by Michael Zahler, a strong Anabaptist leader. He is the only taufer of that time to record the names of his fellowmen and women in prison. For a full report of his full account see 1979 Diary page 61. Kathreina Ebersold is placed at the head of his woman list of 12 persons. The other women are Elisebeth Gerber, Elizebeth Gerber of Signau, Elizebeth Steiner, Anna Schenk von Diessbach, Margrith Aeschlemann, Katrrina Ellenberger, Magdelena Eichenberger and Barbara Fritiger of Oberhofen.

These personen have all been seized from their homes and confined in the *Spital* between 1706 and 1709. Forty-five men are also given on Zahler's list. *Ernest Muller*, page 377-378.

In 1710 Muller captures another record of those confined in the Upper Penitentuary at Bern, a list of 16 men and 14 women. It is on this list that Elizebeth

Aebersold appears.

It was on the following year that the great deportion act came into effect. Five ships were employed at the harbor in Basel, to ship the remaining Anabaptist down the Rhine to open seas, or perhaps to Amsterdam where they were to be loaded on larger ships to be banished from Europe forever.

Switzerland is a small country in southern Europe, embroidered by mountains and mountain ranges on every side, and it has no seaport. The Rhine served as the only feasable channel to deport them in that direction. While Switzerland never had a established Marine nor a strong navigation system, it did have a harbor at Basel. Basel is located on the Rhine at a Northwest boundary point with both Germany and France, who at times claimed a part of, and sometimes the whole of Basel. To employ the harbor with suitable boats to ship away so many refugees, Switzerland needed to negotiate with both of these countries besides a number of other countries and principalities, which their ships must pass through to open sea. One of these countries were Holland. The government of Holland was somewhat influenced by the Mennonites and at times showed leniency towards the defenceless Swiss refugees so that Swiss navgation, of this kind, to open seaways had some restrictions. Thus it can be seen that for the Swiss government to deport refugees it was not only a matter of loading them on ships and ship them away, it was a matter of careful planning and negotiating with other countries as well. It was a long drawn-out affair and seemingly some Anabaptist leaders sensed the retarded conditions of the deporting process. It became obvious to Bern authorities early, that to depart their unwanted -

landsleute they must find cooperation with other countries as well as with the Anabaptists themselves.

It is clear from official accounts that the Bernese government alone could not be rid of their despised subjects. They could not banish them from the land as easily as they had done before, as a kingdom would ordinarily cast out their crimnals according to law in Europe in the eighteenth century. For one reason the number of exiles were too great, and another reason they had to deal with political as well as religious reasoning. Unlike a disputation, which nearly always fell into the way of official thinking, they now needed to employ negotiation to have three functioning powers align. One subject particulary instrumental in the working plan was Johann Ludwig Runckle.

Runckle was a sympathizer and a friend of the taufer. He served as a Dutch ambassador to Switzerland. He first had his seat at Schaffhausen and later at Bern. There he worked with state authorities, he talked with the taufer and acted under Dutch states government which with the Dutch Mennonites supported him financially. He chose Benedict Brechbushl as a leader

and spokesman for the taufer. Runckle also delivered the money to the taufer that was provided by the Dutch Mennonite committee to aid them.

Already early in 1710 had the act of preparing vessels and voyage to deport the taufer began. While the Bernese government was employed in arranging five ships, raising funds to exile 500 taufer and to obtain right-of-way passes to open sea, the taufer were not found to leisure. Church leaders were busy exchanging letters with their Brethren in other countries. On July 18, 1710 the Swiss Taufer received a letter from the church in Alsace that they are willing to watch for the loaded ships sailing down the Rhine and would be waiting at Breisbach for the ship to pass through, if they would know when it will come. They offered to help them, should the ship dock at that port and perhaps take some along to their homes. The letter was signed by Martin Egli, Hans Blum and Christian Rupp.

In the same month of 1710 the taufer received a letter from their Hollandisch Brethren. In this letter agreement had been expressed by the Brethren, apparently with the Swiss taufer who were confined to prison life, some of them for a number of years, that the time has come to leave their land and possessions, but where shall they go. In spite of the firm action of Bernese authorities that they must be deported overseas, the taufer were well aware of the assistance offered by their brethren in three other countries, and that once they leave Swiss soils, the Bernese ship command has little jurisdiction over them, but where should they go. The Holland committee were seeking contact with Benedict Brechbuhl to ask him to lead his forsaken Brethren out of the land. Brechbuhl was found to be living at Mannheim and in his reply he suggested that his Swiss Brethren could be taken in at Mannheim, that the land there appealed to him. He also made known to them that he had appealed to the king of Prussia for a place of Swiss settlement, but the Swiss Brethren refused the offer. Since the list of Swiss brethren to disembark at Holland is considerable smaller than the embargo list at Basel it is quite evident that not a small number of Swiss refugees were rescued enroute, some by the Alsace Brethren but perhaps a larger number left the ships at Mannheim.

Like in the great exidus in the 1660's when a money collection was made by the Holland Brethren, the committee now called for a larger collection in 1710 to aid the poor refugees. Even the year before they had collected 20,000 gulden to aid the poverty stricten Pfaltzer from the first vast banishment. It was not so easy now to collect a larger sum anew which was needed to supply the new wave of Swiss refugees when they arrive at Holland. Since they were stripped of material possessions before they left their homes, they were poor, hungry and in need of clothes.

Two Swiss Brethren, who had fled at Nimwegen earlier, namely Hans Rupp and Peter Thonen, toured through Holland and visited the churches at Deventer and Groningen and gave an account of the great suffering the innocent brethren were caused to endure, that they were dealt with hard by the Swiss officers and many are bound in prison for a long time. Besides that they suffered a split in the church which caused many

16 May 1980 hardships.

Upon their pleading for aid Runcle was again sent to investigate these conditions. He writes in a letter that on the 29th of September he had the privilage to visit the prisons. He tried to comfort them in their affliction and admonished them to patience and quiet until they can be delivered. He visited the Island Reformatory where he found eleven men and women. The men were locked up in Chambers but not bound with chains as some had been earlier. These were mostly sick weak and did not work at all. The women were in more loose confinement and were seen knitting and weaving to pass the time. Runcle continues that he talked with them for over three hours and in their conversation he learned that most of them are willing to leave their fatherland, but not in terms to forget their homeland never to return. They especially resisted the offer to go to Purssia to live under the jurisdiction of that kingdom where they would be banished into a pest ridden and war torn land.

From there Runcle visited the upper Spital (institution). From this visit he aquired a list of names of men and women. It is on this list that we find Elizebeth Aebersold with Margrit Gerber, Barbara Rugseger, Eliza Brast? (Graf?), Barbara Steiner, Luzia Wymann, Barbara Rohrer, Margeret Schurch (Schirck?) Vreni Easchlimann, Stini Truffel and Anna Moser.

On this visit Runcle attempted to persuade the taufer to submit themselves or to confirm to an agreement to leave the land and board the ships if they were released from prison life. They showed a will to submit, although they were reluctant to leave without their husbands or wives and children. They also said that many of them would be hard to find since the tauferjager (baptist hunters) have scattered them to remote places. Many of these men and women would have to leave their companions behind because they were still members of the Reformed church. On this mission Runcle claimed that he had a list of 295 men and women of Berner gebietto submit to deportion.

In a July 18, 1711, letter Runcle reported to the Hollandisch committee, concerning conditions and progress to depart the tauferat Basel. The embarkment (einschiffung) went in good order at first, yet he at once related the incidence of Hans Burki and Samuel Raber, how they refused to enter the ship. They were put on ship by force and Hans Burki was tied on ship with chains.

Following this account Muller records a list of expenditures to the committee in Holland against the taufer who were not on their way down the Rhine. On March 5, 61 Riechthaler was paid for Nicklaus Haberli (Eberly), Barbara Rohrer, Kathrina Balli and Elizebeth Aebersold. These expenses were paid to the tauferkammer. (chamber) in Bern prison. Elizebeth Aebersold from Hochstetten is given again on the Emmenthaler shiplist with many other familiar names. This list fortunately states the place of her home town.

While it may seem strange enough that all of our Aebersold Anabaptist leaders, so far, appear as being women, these given accounts, very likely, are the beginning of our family in the Anabaptist field. It is not unusual in Anabaptist history to find that women 144

submited to the faith first. Although hardly any other of our families that we have met in Europe, so far, show so clear a distinction of conversion as the Aebersold family does. In fact we have no accounts in our files of male Aebersolds in the Swiss Anabaptist movement. It would be interesting to know from which family these strong benefactors have come, likely from one friendschaft, that had married Aebersold men. Not until they have been removed to other countries does the name Aebersold appear in paternal linage, who likely descend from the matriarchs given in this article.

To follow our family line we must, apparently proceed to the Alsace regions. In our files the name does not appear in Holland nor in Germany, at least in the eighteenth century. So it is likely that on the voyage to Holland our women were received on shore at Diessbach and rescued by their Alsation brethren, where they lived and prospered, in Anabaptist manner, for generations to come.

In spite of the fact that our Ebersol families are evident in Alsace-Lorraine regions, records of them among the Anabaptists do not appear as frequently as expected. The French Anabaptist history, by Mathiot and Boigel does list them as a Mennonite family name although no particular accounts of them are given. This history lists Ebersold with Alliman, Burchhalter, Burki, Gerber, Nussbaum, Schlappach, Springer and Studer family names to live in the montbeliard section. They are however not principled Mennonite names according to the list on page 280.

The Gemeine Register, by John Rich does not account any Ebersoles.

#### The Ebersoles in America

As usual our family name first appears in Lancaster and Berks County, Pennsylvania.

The first Ebersohl to appear on Philadelphia shiplists is Abraham who likely settled in Manheim Township, Lancaster County. On this 1727 shiplist appear a number of other Mennonite names and he is likely the progenitor of succeeding Mennonite families in Manheim and Rapho townships. Many Ebersole families exist in Northwestern Lancaster County today. It is likely his widow that is listed on Manheim township tax returns in 1772.

Another party that appear on Philadelphia shiplists are Peter Eversool and Joost Eversool and Johannes C[E]oubersohl already in 1739. These families apparently settled first in Berks County and in the 1770's moved to Lebanon Valley where they are first taxable. Although these families have not been found on Berks County tax returns, there are known Eversol land warrants in Northwestern Berks County but have never been studied because we have assumed that they were likely of the German Reformed society. Peter Jr. was a Mennonite bishop however, in Hanover Township of present Lebanon County. These Ebersol families appear on tax lists to nearly 1800 and possibly the immigrants have died there. John was taxable in Lebanon Township, Dauphin County in 1785.

A third party of immigrant Ebersoles came to Philadelphia in 1763, whose name was Jacob. It is not known if he is the Jacob who settled in Rapho Township or if that Jacob was a son of immigrant Abraham.

grandchildren and 164 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held on Saturday, May 10, in the shed by Milo Glick and Alvin Byler. In the house by Jake Byler and John J. Miller. Burial at Hershberger Cemetery.

Hostetler, Mary, Dry Run, Penna.

died May 5. She was married to Moses Hostetler. Mary, and her daughter, Rebecca had been in the garden, planting peas, when the seed supply ran out. Rebecca went to the house to get more seeds, and was gone only a few minutes, when she returned her mother had fallen over. the ambulance was promptly called and she was rushed to the Chambersburg Hospital, where she was pronounced dead.

Funeral serveces were held in the home, near Dry Run, Pa., on Thursday, May 8, at 9:00 a.m. Many friends from local and other

areas came to view the body.

King, Mima S., 5 month old, #2 Nottingham, Pa.

died Wednesday morning, May 14, at her home. She was a

daughter of Aaron S. and Mary King.

Surviving besides her parents is one brother, Daniel L., at home. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Daniel K. King, #3 Quarryville, maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Daniel L. Stoltzfus, #2 Gordonville, maternal great-grandmother is Mary F. Fisher, Gordonville, paternal great-grandmother is Rebecca F. Stoltzfus, Christiana.

Bennie K. Fisher had sermon in house. Leid read by Jacob L. Stoltzfus. Anfang in barn by Jonas Lapp, main sermon by Henry L. Stoltzfus. Leid number 357 read by Jonas Esch. Graveyard leid read by Enos Glick (leid number 21) Absheid by John B. Stoltzfus.

Kurtz, Jake J., 59, Mechanicsville, Md.

died from pneumonia. He was born December 31, 1921 and was

married to Emma (Wengard) Kurtz, December 16, 1943.

Besides his wife he is survived by 2 sons and 7 grandchildren, besides brothers and many other relatives and friends. Mrs. Kurtz lives in a house joining her youngest son, Joe and wife's house. Her oldest son, Solomon, lifes nearby. All their addresses are #3 Mechanicsville, Md. 20659.

Mast, Henry S., 87, Dover, Delaware

died May 19, born July 12, 1894. He was married to Lizzie Miller

(now deceased), married on December 22, 1914.

Surviving are the following children, Eli H., Wyoming, Bishop Andy H., Wyoming, John, Lakeside, Ontario, Canada, Preacher Sam H.. of the home, and Susie, Mrs. Andy S. Miller, Buffalo Valley, Pa. 45 grandchildren, 151 great-grandchildren. Henry was a widower for 2 years, 4 months and 20 days.

Funeral services were held at the home on Thursday, May 22, by Bishop Edward Nissley of Illinois and Bishop Dan A. Yoder, in the shed by Preacher Simon N. Swartzentruber and Bishop Tobe

Detweiler of Missouri.

Miller, Chris L., 78, Topeka, Ind.

died Wednesday, April 30, after a lingering illness. Born in LaGrange County, December 14, 1901, he was the son of Levi and Anna (Troyer) Miller. He was married to Alma Eash, February 27, 1923

Surviving are his wife and 5 daughters, Mary (Mrs. Alpha Miller) Middlebury, Nettie (Mrs. Henry Mast), Legonier, Wilma (Mrs. Floyd Bontrager), Topeka, Ruby (Mrs. Jerry Miller), Shipshewana, and Katie, (Mrs. Lloyd Miller), Nappanee, 3 sons, Cletus, Middlebury, Perry and Elvon, both of Millersburg, 41 grandchildren, 17 great-grandchildren, also 1 sister, Susie (Mrs. Jerry Lambright), Shipshewana. Two daughters preceded him in death, also his parents and also brothers and sisters.

Funeral services were held at home Saturday, May 3, by Ervin Miller and Jacob Petersheim. Burial in Bontrager Cemetery.

Peachey, Roman, 21 month, 29 days, Belleville, Pa.

died May 10, the son of Noah and Sylvia Peachey. He was born in Belleville, Pa. He died of seizures. He didn't do very well when small and wasn't a year old when he started getting seizures. They tried many different things. This spring they had him to a doctor in Arizona for 3 weeks. He seemed slightly better. Until May 7, they could not wake him. He was taken to Huntingdon then to Hershey Hospital. He was pronounced dead on Saturday, May 10.

Surviving besides his parents Noah and Sylvia (Peachey) Peachey, 1 sister Mary, grandparents, Ezra Y. and Malinda Peachey, Jesse and Nancy Peachey, great grandparents, Jacob J. and Annie Peachey, Noah L. and Rachel Peachey and widow Mary

Peachey.

Funeral services were held at the home, May 13, by David J. Peachey and Daniel M. Peachey. Burial in the new Renno Cemetery.

Stoltzfus, Daniel U., 90, #1 Honey Brook, Pa.

died Wednesday afternoon, May 28 at 12:45 p.m. after an illness of four weeks. A retired farmer, he was the husband of the idea Mary (Lapp) Stoltzfus and the late Fannie (Kauffman) Stoltzfus Born in Caernarvon Township, he was a son of the late Benuel Mand Malinda (Esh) Stoltzfus. He was a member of the Old Order Amish Church.

He is survived by 13 children, Malinda, at home; Emma, wife of Samuel J. Stoltzfus, Charlotte Hall, Md.; Gideon, Christian Annie L., Daniel L., David L. and Katie, wife of Eli Stoltzfus all of Honey Brook R1; and Amos L., Jessie L, Stephen L., John U. and Sarah, wife of Emanuel F. Stoltzfus, all of Honey Brook, #2, 77 grandchildren and 127 great-grandchildren. Also surviving are 11 stepchildren, Samuel K. Kauffman, Newburg; Lydia, wife of Jacob M. Stoltzfus, Rebersburg; Christ L. Kauffman, Paradise, Ben M. Kauffman, Bird-in-Hand #1; John A. Kauffman, Rebecca Esh and Rachel, wife of John E. Fisher all of Loganton; Levi P. Kauffman, Daniel P. Kauffman, Elam P. Kauffman and Mary, wife of Aaron Ebersol, all of Honey Brook #2; 98 stepgrandchildren and 338 step-great-grandchildren, leaving a total of 669 living descendents. Also surviving are the following brothers and sisters: Stephen E. Stoltzfus, Honey Brook #2; Amos E. Stoltzfus, Morgantown #1; Sarah, wife of Jacob S. Fisher, Ronks #1; David E. Stoltzfus, Honey Brook and Gideon E. Stoltzfus, Honey Brook

Funeral services were held Saturday, May 31, at 9:00 a.m. at his son Daniel L. Stoltzfus. Anfang by Joseph Beiler, main part by Bishop Levi E. Stoltzfus and lied by Deacon John Kauffman. Burial in Masts Cemetery, near Morgantown.

Stoltzfus, Samuel L., 58, #2 Christiana, Penna.

died Monday, May 5, at 7 p.m. at his home after a short illness. (See Page 2). A self-employed farmer, he was the husband of Fannie K. (Blank) Stoltzfus. Born in Salisbury Township, he was the son of the late Isaac E. and Sarah (Lapp) Stoltzfus. He was a member of the Old Order Amish Church, for which he had been a

minister for 11 years.

Surviving, in addition to his wife, are four sons: Jona Christiana #2; David, Millersburg #2; and Ephraim and Jonas both of Christiana #2; six daughters, Elizabeth, wife of Benjamma R. Zook, East Earl, Sadie, wife of David R. Zook, New Holland #2; Lydia, wife of Samuel F. Zook, Christiana #1; Fannie, wife of Isaac S. King, Holtwood #2; Rebecca, wife of Ephraim E. Beiler, Quarryville #3; and Susie, wife of Emanuel G. Zook, Kinzer, Also, seven brothers: Benjamin L., Leola, Isaac L., Gettysburg, Jacob L., Levi L. and Henry L., all of Kirkwood; Daniel L., Gordonville, and Amos L., Kinzer; and four sisters: Rachel, wife of Elam Miller, Leola; Sarah, wife of Jacob Fisher, Quarryville #2; Mary, wife of Henry Fisher, Willow Street, and Rebecca, wife of Benuel Esh, Peach Bottom.

Funeral services were held May 8, on his 59th birthday, at his home by Aaron Y. Beiler and Sammie Kauffman. Pallbearers were Sam M. Stoltzfus, a nephew, Daniel S. Stoltzfus, Christ Miller,

and Jacob King. Burial in Fisher Cemetery.

Stoltzfus, Stephen L., 60, Peters Rd., #1 Gordonville, Penna.

died Tuesday, May 27 at approximately 9:30 p.m. of an apparent heart attack. (See page 2). A self-employed carpenter and farmer, he was born in Upper Leacock Township, the son of the late John E. and Fannie B. (Lapp) Stoltzfus. He was the husband of Emma Z. (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus and a member of the Old Order Amish Church.

Surviving in addition to his wife are the following children: Barbara, wife of Levi Smucker, Ronks; John S., at home; Fannie S., wife of Henry G. Fisher, Gap; Rebecca, wife of David Fisher, Ronks; Katie S., wife of Henry Zook, Gap; Emma S., wife of Daniel Glick, Lancaster RD; Amos Z., Loganton; Mary S., wife of Jacob Kauffman, Christiana; Sarah S., wife of John Kauffman, Christiana, Stephen L., Leola; Christ S., Lancaster; Lizzie S., wife of Levi Fisher, Ronks; Omar S., Leola; and Samuel S., David S., Levi S., Mima S. and Rachel S., all at home. Also surviving are 56 grandchildren: one foster child, Lizzie Yoder, wife of Christ F. Fisher, Strasburg; two foster grandsons, and the following brothers and sisters: Amos M. Stoltzfus, John L. Stoltzfus, Levi

L. Stoltzfus, all of Leola RD; Rebecca L., wife of Jacob King, Gordonville; Barbara L., wife of Isaac Stoltzfus, Gap, and Mary L., wife of Christ Speicher, Leola.

Funeral services were held at the home on Friday, May 30 at 9:00 a.m. Anfang by Bishop Levi Stoltzfus, main part by Stephen Zook and lied by John King. Burial at Myers Cemetery.

Stutzman, Harvey J., 87#1 Apple Creek, Ohio

died Wednesday, May 7 of cancer. Born in Middlebury, Indiana to Jerry and Lydia (Schrock) Stutzman he was married to the late Elizabeth C. Ropp who died in 1933 and the late Mattie S. Miller who died in 1956.

Surviving are 2 daughters: Mrs. Jacob J. (Lydia) Hershberger of Harmony, Minn.; and Mrs. Dan J. (Sarah) Swartzentruber of #2 Dalton; 5 sons: Eli and John of #1 Apple Creek, Emery of Milroy, Ind.; Jerry of Homerville and Chriss of Harmony, Minn.; 2 sisters: Mrs. Joni E. (Lizzie) Borntrager of Curryville, Mo.; and Mrs. John J. (Amelia) Mast of Jamesport, Mo.; 4 brothers: Joe of Curtiss, Wis.; Jacob of Dover, Del.; E. J. of Mt. Elgin, Ont. and Dan of Windsor, Mo. He was preceded in death by 1 son, 1 sister and 2 half sisters.

Funeral services were held May 10 in the home, by Bishop Abe D. Yoder. Burial in the Yoder Cemitery, Paint Township, Wayne County.

Weaver, Judith, 3, #4 Millersburg, Ohio

died Saturday p.m., May 24 at the family home. She was an invalid and weighed only 9 pounds. Born April 3, 1977 she was the

daughter of Paul R. and Orpha (Gingerich) Weaver.

Surviving in addition to her parents are paternal grandparents: Mr. and Mrs. Raymond S. Weaver; maternal grandmother, Mrs. Anna Mae Gingerich, paternal great-grandfather, Samuel B. Weaver and maternal great-grandparents Sylvanus Troyer and Mary Ann Troyer. Her maternal grandfather preceded her in death.

Funeral services were held May 27 at the home by bishop Abe J. Hochstetler, Robert R. Schlabach and Wayne E. Miller. Burial was in the Coblentz Cemetery.

Williams, Shelia Jean, 9, #2 Middlefield, Ohio

died Tuesday May 15, after running out in front of a pick-up truck. She was a daughter of Gary and Jean Williams. See community notes.

Surviving besides her parents are 3 sisters and 1 brother.

Yoder, Mrs. Anna Mae, 93, #3 Iowa City, Iowa

died May 21, at the age of 93 years 5 months and 6 days. Born December 15, 1886 she was married to Enos M. Yoder who died in 1966. They both died at the home of their daughter, Willard A. Gingerichs.

She leaves to mourn 2 daughters, Mrs. Willard (Susie) Gingerich and Mrs. Ruben (Wilma) Hershberger of Oregon, and 5 step-children: Mrs. Wm. Edward (Lydia) Miller of Partridge, Kan.; Pre. Jonas B. Yoder of Wild, Kan.; Mrs. Bert (Katie) Schlabach of Fla.; Pre. Mose E. Yoder of Leon, Iowa and Mrs. Andy (Fannie) Helmuth of Kalona, Iowa. Also a number of grandchildren and step-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at the Gingerich home by Minister Mahlon Beachy of Indiana and Bishop Truman Miller of the home church. Pall bearers were Ernest Yoder, Olin Schrock, Jerry Schrock and Eldon Nisley. Burial in the North Gingerich Cemetery. There were a number of relatives here for the funeral from Oregon, Kansas, Missouri, Indiana and possibly other states.

Yoder, Herman, 13, Brookfield, Missouri

died from drowning, he was a son of David J. Yoder.

Yoder, Homer E., 58, Hosmor Rd., Middlefield, Ohio

died May 21, from a stroke and heart trouble. He had been having heart trouble for over a year and in and out of the hospital. He died in the hospital. Born in Geauga County on Jan 14, 1922 to Elmer and Katieann Yoder, he married Nannie J. Hostetler on December 3, 1942, who is surviving.

Also surviving are 7sons: Daniel, John Elmer, Homer, Sam, Andrew, Lester all of Geauga, 8 daughters: Mary of Partensburg, Pa., Catherine, Ida, Elizabeth, Esther, Nancy, Emma and Miriam all of Geauga. Also his mother, 5 brothers, 7 sisters and quite a few grandchildren.

Funeral services were held May 24 at the residence. Burial in Bundysburg Cemetery.

Yoder, Sam J., 77, Sugarcreek, Ohio

died Sunday, May 18 following a lengthly illness. Born in Holmes County on March 23, 1903 to Jonas S. and Anna (Swartzentruber) Yoder (deceased), he was married to Elmima Hershberger, who is surviving. Surviving are 6 daughters: Mrs. Em. A. (Fannie) Yoder; Mrs.

Surviving are 6 daughters: Mrs. Em. A. (Fannie) Yoder; Mrs. Mose J. (Ada) Yoder, Mrs. Mose M. (Esther) Yoder of R1 Baltic; Mrs. Christ M. (Lizzian) Yoder of the home; Mrs. Gideon (Anna) Yoder of #3 Fresno and Mrs. Dennis M. (Verna) Miller of #2 Sugarcreek; 2 sons: Levi S. of #1 Baltic and Jonas S. of Malta; 2 sisters: Mrs. Neal J. (Mattie) Yoder of #1 Dundee and Mrs. Ben H. (Anna) of Sugarcreek; 2 brothers: Joe J. Yoder of Baltic and Levi J. Yoder of #5 Millersburg, 57 grandchildren, 7 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, May 21 at the Yoder home with Bishop Mose E. Hershberger officiating. Burial in Yoder Cemetery, Clark Township.

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#### **CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS**

Norfolk New York - Ben Schwartz

We planted garden lust part of April and first of May which was warm and quite dry. Then it turned cooler for about 2 weeks. Then the week of the 18th it was warm with temperatures up to 70 and 80 degrees and the sky was very hazy, which the reporters said was from the valcano at Mt. Helens and on the 28th we had a light frost. The same day 3 years ago the cheese house started operating.

Milk is \$9.05 per hundred per 3.5 butterfat at present, and has come up in quanity which is approximately 10,500 lbs. daily. We are operating 6 days a week. We had hail on the 31st. Most of the

corn is planted and some is up.

Centre County [Brush Valley] Penna. - David B. Stoltzfus

Very little corn was planted locally before the first full week of May due to wet fields. Rainy weather kept farmers out of the fields quite frequently, usually in the beginning of each week. Toward the months end, fields were getting a bit dry. On the 31st we had one inch of rain here in two showers, with some hail and heavy thunder in the evening, while west of us less than one half inch was recorded. Some hay was put up last week with alot more being cut or ready to cut. Rainfall was between three and four inches.

LeRaysville, Pa. [Bradford County] - Mrs. Chester S. Yoder

May was a beautiful month with alot of sunny days. Temperature as high as 86 degrees on the 23rd. It cooled off on the evening of the 25th and by the morning of the 27th some of the lower areas had a light frost. We had thunder showers on the 2nd, 6th and the 13th.

Farmers are still busy planting corn. A few still have some plowing to do. Gardens are mostly planted and growing. Rain could be used, as fields are getting on the dry side.

Montour County, Penna. - Amos K. Stoltzfus

May was the farmers month with not much rain. At the beginning of May it was nice till the 11th, then we had alittle less than one half an inch of rain. Alot of corn was planted before the rain. We then had very little rain till the 31st we had a few real good showers. Some hay was made the last week in May.

Dauphin County, Penna. - Mrs. Benuel B. Fisher

May came in fair and warm, very nice to work in the fields, then it rained on the 12th, cleared off again till the 17th. We had

showers off and on, for 2 days. Then it was nice till the 31st we had a shower in the morning and again a heavy thundershower in the eve. Very nice growing weather, most of the corn is planted and is growing nicely. Hay making has started.

Strawberries are starting to ripen and peas are blooming.

Lebanon County, Penna. - Levi S. King

A wet cool May has brought a good growth of grain and pastures, but delayed the corn planting somewhat. Hay making has started and it seems like a good crop. Strawberries and sugar peas are on the menu.

Bareville, Penna. - Levi L. Stoltzfus

Rainfall for this area for the month of May was 4.7 inches. Market report: Farm markets are steady, but stronger compared with last month.

Chester County, Penna. - J. Elmer Lapp

May was unusually wet, also cool the first 2 weeks. Temperature was down to 35 degrees around the 10th. It rained on the 12th and different other days, making a total of 7.9 inches. Despite of all the rain the corn is mostly all planted, and up nice. Some hay making was being done the last week, with no rain until Saturday. Those who farm rye for straw baled it the last couple of weeks. The crop was rather tall and made as much as 175 bales per

St. Marys County, Maryland - Amos R. Stoltzfus

May was a lovely month here in Sunny Southern Maryland. Several warm days up to the high 80 or 90 degrees. It was getting dry till the 18th, when we got 1½ inches of rain. Over the next few days it was rainy or drizzly and then more nice field weather, with a few showers before the end of the month. First cutting hay is heavy and lodged some, most of the corn is up. Dock and chickweed are problems in many fields this year, especially is spring oats. Buttercups are bad in the pastures.

Dover, Delaware - Neil N. Hershberger

May was a nice month with near normal weather. Seems as if we had less frosts this spring than usual, yet enough cool weather to hold crops back some. Low temperature for the month was 40 degrees on the 9th, and high of 85 degrees on the 5th. Total rainfall was 4.3 inches. Alfalfa weevils seem to be worse again the past several springs. Also an unusual amount of weeds. Alot of folks put their first cutting in the silo. Early winter oats are headed out. Spring oats are knee high. Strawberries are over their peak with a good crop. Early peas are ready, in general crops look good. Early corn will make knee high by the 4th of June.

Delta, [York County] Penna. - Andy H. Beiler

In April we had showers the first week, it rained the 8th, 10th, and 27th. The 10th we a hail storm with the biggest hail I ever saw, some almost the size of golf balls, but more egg shaped. May brought us more wet weather. It rained the 2nd, it was cool and wet the week of the 5th, with warm weather the next week. Corn planting is later than last year. Alfalfa crop looks good, some of it is cut and the rest is ready. It has some bug damage, but not real

South Snyder County, Penna. - Sam M. Troyer

The weather was quite normal with about three inches of rain. The coolest was thirty five degrees on the ninth and a light frost.

The bees are working, but it doesn't look like they would get much from the locust trees. But they got quite a bit from fruit blessoms. Fruit is looking good. The trees are quite well loaded.

McClure, [Snyder County] Penna. - John Y. Speicher

The month of May had some rain also cold windy days. Some frest also real warm days. Very changable temperatures, in the morning it was from 26 degrees to around 50 degrees.

Oats and corn look good. Some corn is not planted yet. Some hay s being made, alfalfa is good.

Mifflin County, Penna. - Catherine M. Swarey

May started in cool, but the last couple weeks we had warm days and cool nights. Total rainfall for the month was 4 inches. One inch of rain of the 21st, no measureable rain since. Frost on the 9th and 10th. There is still some corn to plant. Some nice hay has been put away. Strawberries are beginning to ripen and peas are bleeming. Schools closed the 13th.

Meyersdale, [Somerset County] Penna. - Mary A. Kinsinger

Our weather for May has been quite varied, from wet and cool to humid and warm. The 8th and 9th it was very cool with a low

temperature of 28 degrees and at places even lower. We even saw a few snowflakes the evening of the 8th. We had barely 3 inches of rain all through May, but the showers were very scattered. On the 24th, at some places they had hail and a heavy down pour and at other places it barely laid the dust. Today, the 30th, it rained again very scattered with thunder, lightning and hail. Most of the corn planting is done with a few exceptions.

Lots of gardens made. No heavy frosts since the 8th. Schools are

closed now for the summer.

Mercer County, Penna. - Dan J. Troyer

May was dry and cool until towards the last of the month it was warmer. We had 1 inch of rain the 12th and 1/2 inch the 13th and 18th. Corn is nearly all planted.

Southern Mercer County, Penna. - Mrs. E. H. Kurtz

We had several real warm days in May with temperature in the 80's, also several mornings of cool and frost with temperature in the upper thirties. No damage was done that I know of. Not much rainfall all month.

Beef prices are steady with choice steers from \$56.00 to \$64.25 per 100 lb. Good cows from \$44.25 to \$49.00, calves from \$85.00 to \$107.50. Hog prices were steady from \$26.00 to \$33.00 per 100 lb. Feeder pigs from \$8.00 to \$27.00. Alfalfa hay \$70.00 to \$79.00 a ton, mixed hay \$27.00 to \$97.50 a ton, straw \$61.00 to \$62.00, ear cern \$65.00 a ton, spelts \$95.00 a ton.

Crawford, Penna. - Mrs. Menno Fisher

We had nice weather throughout May, a bit on the dry side. Gardens and field crops all have a good start. Corn and oats are mostly all planted.

Total rainfall for the month was 2.46 inches. Highest tempature was 81 degrees on the 24th, lowest was 27 degrees on the 8th.

Geauga County, Ohio - Eli E. Miller

May started in nice and warm, it was dry the 1st two weeks. We had some rain the 12th, 17th, 21st and 30th. Most corn is planted. Oats, hay and winter crops look good.

Feeder pigs are down to 850. a piece. Fat hogs about same, milk

about the same. Eggs are cheap.

Holmes County, Ohio - Mrs. John H. Yoder

For the month of May it was rather dry up until the 16th it rained all day. Very good growing weather the last half of the menth. Pasture and hay looks real good, corn and oats have a good chance. We had a good rain on the 30th. Some have started to mow hay. We had a light frost on the 8th, but not much damage. Temperature was a low of 28 degrees and a high of 80 degrees. Pigs are selling very low.

Eastern Holmes County, Ohio - Raymond S. Weaver

The month of May began with very pleasant weather, cooling off semewhat during the second week with a fairly hard frost the morning of the 8th followed by rains the rest of the week. There were more rains the third week, and the month let out with very pleasant weather again. Pastures are lush and green and crops look good. Most of the corn is planted. Some farmers had waited to finish silage corn planting and were slightly delayed because of the abundant rains. Alfalfa hay making has begun.

Southern Eastern Holmes County, Ohio - John L. Yoder

Our month of May had its weather divided in two different brackets. The first half being a little on the dry side with grass not making much progress, giving farmers a good chance for field work. The last half was on the damp side with several nice showers, also some thunder. With grass growing a lush green. Oats and corn are coming out nice with a few not finished planting yet. Some have started to make hay. Not much change in hog, pig or cattle prices.

Western Holmes County, Ohio - Monroe A. Weaver

It was fairly wet the forepart of April. Last snow we had was the 16th of April. No measureable rain the latter part of April or till May 11th. It was getting dry. We had over 4 inches of rainfall in May. Real good growing weather. About normal temperatures in April and May. No late frost. Prospects are good for fruit.

Cattle and hog prices were much lower in April. Hogs are some higher again, in the low 30's. Good Holstein beef cows are in the high 40's again. Calf market stayed strong. Better calves \$1.00 to \$1.20. Heifer calves \$1.50 and higher a lb. Pigs are at a low for 10 years, 30 to 40 cents a lb.

Farmers had it good the last 3 or 4 years. But now prices are lower and costs higher. Milk is still a good price.

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Wester Tuscarawas County, Ohio - Jonas N. Borntrager

We had cots of sunshine in April. We had mild weather, also some heavy rains that the creeks were out over the banks. Farmers are finished sowing oats and are doing their plowing.

We had some sunshine everyday in May except the 17th we had an all day rain. Total rainfall for the month was 6 inches. The creek has out over the banks twice the week of the 19th. Some small corn probably drowned. Farmers are mostly done planting only a few very wet fields to plant yet. We are having good growing weather.

Hay making is at hand. A few silos are to be filled next week if seather permits.

Hog prices are at 30 cents per lb. Milk cows and heifers are in ced demand, milk above \$11.00 per cwt. Good draft horses are elling high.

Ashland County, Ohio - Ammon A. Troyer

The tore part of April we had quite a bit of rain, but the latter part of the month it was getting quite dry. A lot of oats have been sewn and some corn planted, woods are showing just a light tint of green. Cows are being turned out on pasture.

We had about 3 inches of rain in May, crops are growing nice. Alfalfa is ready to be cut. Clover is in bloom too. Strawberries look premising.

Allen County, Indiana - Mrs. John Schmucker

Had some very nice weather in May. A few days with temperature in the 70's and 80's and a few nights it went down to 40 degrees. Had several thunderstorms, hail and quite a bit of rain. Corn is about all planted and hay making is started. Strawberries are ripening and looks to me like a good crop.

LaGrange County, Indiana - Anna Eash

We had real nice spring weather. Some cool weather towards the middle of the month and also warm days. We had nice warm rains which makes lovely lawns, foliage on trees, alfalfa, in other words. Corrything! Flower bushes are seemingly extra pretty. Corn is pranted and is greening up the fields. Strawberries are leaking extra nice. Some fruit trees look very promising, as of now. Rhubarb is real nice.

We had a nice shower during the early morning hours of the 29th and a shower later in eve with some wind. We had some 80 degrees weather. Lowest was around 38 degrees.

Nappanee, Indiana - Mrs. Ray Burkholder

May was an ideal farm month, forepart was cool. Corn planted early, all crops look excellent, rainfall ample.

Daviess County, Indiana - Elizabeth Mae Raber

May was mostly on the cool side, had a frost on the 9th. We had some warm days of 80 degrees temperature or more, with the warmest on the 29th, which was about 90 degrees. The 1st part of the month was alittle on the dry side so some farmers waited on rain to finish planting corn. We then had a few nice rains. Rainfall for the month was 2.9 inches. Strawberries are ripe and seem to be a good crop.

Ethridge, Tennessee - Moses J. Gingerich

April has been cool and wet except the last week or so. Quite a bit of corn was planted the last week, also a lot of pepper is being set.

Beebe, Arkansas - Lester F. Graber

Weather throughout April and May has been more or less on the wet side. It has been a bit hard to get crops out, if you didn't watch your chance. At the last of May now, the wheat is turning yellow. It won't be long until harvest. Most of the rice has been planted, but bean ground is still being worked on between the rains.

As far as temperature is concerned, we have been having nice weather. We have had a tew bot days, but mostly we have cooler days, or nice breezes. Our average temperature is in the 80's.

LaPlata, Missouri - Mrs. Mose M. Borntreger

The first twelve days in May were mostly suppy, some cool days with temperatures from 34 to 60 degrees. But we also had some warm days with temperature in the 70 and 80 degrees. The afternoon of the 12th it rained some, the 16th it was cool and rainy, and rained some that night, about ½ inch altogether, just enough to freshen up the gardens. We had mostly sunny days again the last half of the month. We got about two tenth of an inch on the night of the 27th. It was warm with temperature up to 90 degrees the last several days, but a good breeze going. On the week end of

June 1st we got one and 2 to 4 10th of an inch of rain, which was really appreciated. Lettuce and radishes are on the menu.

Seymour, Missouri - Menno D. Schwartz

May 29th - it was a warm sunsnine week so far, a good week to make hay. We haven't started to make our hay yet, but lots of haying is going on. Last week was a rainy period, not much moisture, although enough to make things grow. It looks like a good hay and oats season.

Strawberries are doing good too. Our ponds are still full, but the dry and hot time of the year is soon here, so I like to see them full

to start the summer.

I have been getting some fish, mostly blue gills, a few bass. Will try a trot line on the channel cats.

Hogs are still low, in the 29 to 30 catogories. Cattle is back up some, maybe 70 to 80 cents range. Eggs are hard to sell, at any price.

Anabel, Missouri - Mrs. Abe Y. Borntreger

The fore part of April was wet, having occasional rains and a 6 to 8 inch snow on April 14 which was almost all gone again in a days time.

We have an ample amount of moisture. No field work was done till the 21st. We have had real nice weather since and the oats was all put in by the end of the month. Some are disking for corn. English farmers are slow in starting field work, and many regret their buying of the new heavy equipment. Many implement stores have closed as business was poor, and many employees are laid off.

Marshfield, Missouri - Ruben Yoder

The rain for April came in the first 2 weeks. We had a great surprise on the morning of the 14th to find everything covered with 4 inches of snow. It snowed most of that day but was mostly gone till evening. Till the end of the month most of the plowing was done. Some corn is planted, early vegetables are on the table, Alfalfa is about ready to cut.

Hog prices reached a high of \$30.00. Milk prices went up to

\$11.15 per cwt. for 3.5.

Jamesport, Missouri - Amos W. Yoder

We are having a rather dry spring, had only 1½ inches of rain through May. Some hay has been put up, which is a shorter crop than usual, because of dry weather, and alfalfa weevils have hindered the growth quite a bit too.

Haven [Reno County] Kansas - Mrs. E. E. Schrock

May was a nice month like spring usually is. We had nice rains, even had a little hail Lots of alfalfa hay is being baled and put up for winter months. Ground is being prepared to plant mile and corn and ensilage feed.

Hazleton, Iowa - Joe A. Yoder

The month of May was more on the dry side. It was good weather to get crops in. A few warm days the first week in May. Then more on the cool side. Till the last 10 days it hit the 80 mark and over. A heavy rain the night of the 29th, over  $4\frac{1}{2}$  inches. Corn is coming nice and hay fields look promising.

Utica, Minnesota - Atlee J. Shetler

May was unusually dry up to the 27th we got a little sprinkle than the next 3 days we had heavy rains to make 6 inches in all. Most of the oats is spotty due to being so dry but is coming now. Corn is up.

First week in April was cold and had some snow and rain. The week of the 14th it warmed up. Temperature was in the 80's and 90's a few days. It was warm till the 23rd it was a cold wind and was colder the rest of the week. The week of the 28th it warmed up again, with temperature in the 80's and 90's again. No April showers in this area.

Most of the oats are in and most people are ready to start with corn ground.

Cashton, Wisconsin - Joe C. Borntreger

The weather throughout May was on the dry side, reports were some corn was planted in the dust, and was not expected to come up without rain, now last night we had ½ inch, the night before they had some rain further north, and we only had a light sprinkle. Hay fields look rather short, oats are thin in spots due to dry weather, and some yellow spots due to too much atrazene carry over from last year.

Farm prices are reported to be dropping slightly, also not much moving due to high interest rates and tight money.

May 30th, we had another 11/4 inch of rain with a lot of

THE SPEICHER-SPYKER-SPICHER FAMILY

CONTINUED FROM LAST MONTH

Since the last Diary was printed there appeared several deaths that should be printed in the April issue under Memories of the Past. Under the number (236) is the name of minister Harvey J. Stutzman of Apple Creek, Ohio. He died just about the time the April writing went to print and then his grandson, Harvey E. Stutzman, son of Preacher Eli H. Stutzman also of Apple Creek, Ohio died in April of 1980.

The next child of Jacob and Fanny (Lehman) Stutzman of Family number (215) is (216) Moses J. Stutzman (215) born 1841 in Somerset County died 1922 married to Catherine Yoder, daughter of David C. and Susan (Miller) Yoder, they at one time lived at Conway, Kansas and were of the German Baptist Church and had nine children.

- 1. Jesse Stutzman born 1867 married Rosa Holiday.
- 2. Ella Stutzman born 1870 married William Eash.
- 3. B. Franklin Stutzman born 1872 married Julia Strohm.
- 4. Henry Stutzman born 1875 married Ollie J. Brubacker, they were Baptist and lived at McPherson, Kansas.
- 5. John B. Stutzman born 1877 married Emma Thompson.
- 6. Jacob M. Stutzman born 1880 married Grace Pearl Blondefield, McPherson, Kansas.
- 7. Anna Stutzman married J. D. Buck.
- 8. Mattie Stutzman married Raymond Baldwin.

The next child of Jacob and Fanny (Lehman) Stutzman is (217) Jacob J. Stutzman (215) born 1841 married to Elizabeth Keim, they lived at Harper, Kansas and had two children and the descendants are in Oregon, Nebraska, Indiana and Kansas and are mostly affiliated with the Mennonite Brethren and more liberal churches.

The next child is (218) Elizabeth Stutzman (215) born 1845. She married at Conway Springs, Kansas to Yost Lehman and then moved to Emma in LaGrange County, Indiana. Yost was ordained a minister of the Amish church of that place and was also later a well known Bishop of Indiana. To them were born six children.

- 1. Fanny Lehman married Joseph Mast,
- 2. Elizabeth Lehman married Andrew Hochstetler.
- 3. Emma Lehman married Eli Hochstetler.
- 4. Samuel Y. Lehman.
- 5. Joseph Lehman married to Elizabeth Burkholder.
- 6. Jacob Lehman died young.
- (219) Fanny Lehman (218) born 1867 married to Joseph J. Mast son of Jacob and Susan (Bontrager) Mast, they at one time lived in Summer County, Kansas, their children were.
- 1. Lizzie Mast married to Daniel Yoder.
- 2. Yost Mast married Mary Miller.
- 3. Jacob Mast married Sarah Chupp.
- 4. Samuel Mast married Barbara Chupp.

- 5. Daniel Mast married Katie Bontrager.
- 6. Christian Mast married Lena Nissley.
- 7. Eli J. Mast married Anna Yutzy.
- 8. Joseph Mast married Beatrice Senez.
- 9. John J. Mast married Amelia Stutzman.
- 10. Levi J. Mast married Lizzie Yutzy.

The oldest (220) Lizzie Mast (219) born 1886 married to Daniel Yoder, son of Isaac and Anna (Eash) Yoder. They had one son John D. Yoder married Susie J. Miller and lived in LaGrange County, Indiana.

(221) Yost Mast (219) married Mary Miller, daughter of John S. and Barbara (Chupp) Miller. A few of their

children are in Kalona, Iowa.

(222) Jacob F. Mast (219) married to Sarah Chupp, daughter of Joseph E. and Mattie (Miller) Chupp, Sarah died in 1918 then Jacob Mast married second time to Barbara Chupp, daughter of Samuel and Mary (Miller) Chupp, several of their children are at Kalona, Iowa.

(223) Samuel Mast (219) born 1893 married to Barbara MillerThey moved from Ness County, Kansas to Curtis, Wisconsin. Their son John B. Mast married to Fannie Hochstetler and is a minister in the Chetek district in Brown County, Wisconsin and a son William S. Mast is a minister at Blair, in Trempealeau County, Wisconsin.

(224) Daniel J. Mast (219) born 1895 married Katie Bontrager, daughter of David Bontrager. They moved from Conway Springs, Kansas to Fairbanks, Iowa. Some of their children are in Medford and Curtis and other places in Wisconsin.

(225) Christian J. Mast (219) born 1897 married to Lena Nissley, daughter of Dan E. and Fannie (Bontrager) Nissley. They moved to Johnson County, Iowa, a son Leander Mast is a minister in the Conservative Church.

(226) Eli J. Mast (219) married to Anna Yutzy, daughter of John J. and Fanny (Yoder) Yutzy. They lived at Chouteau, Oklahoma and a few children moved to Missouri.

(227) John J. Mast (219) born 1905 in Kansas married to Amelia Stutzman, daughter of Deacon Jeremiah and Ida (Gingerich) Stutzman (see number 234 of the last month issue of The Diary) John J. Mast was ordained a Deacon and is now living at Jamesport, Missouri.

(228) Joseph J. Mast (219) of Chouteau, Oklahoma married to Beatrice Senez.

(229) Levi J. Mast (219) married to Lizzie Yutzy, they had lived at Harper, Kansas, one of their sons Joseph Mast was killed in a car accident at eighteen years of age.

The second child of Bishop Yost and Elizabeth (Stutzman) Lehman was (230) Elizabeth Lehman (218) born 1868 near Middlebury, Indiana married to Andrew Hochstetler born 1865 at Nappanee, Indiana, son of Noah and Elizabeth (Miller) Hochstetler, this family lived in Newton County, Indiana and also awhile at Mylo, North Dakota and also several years in Colorado and later in Indiana.

(231) Emma Lehman (218) born 1870 married to Eli N. Hochstetler born 1867, son of Noah and Elizabeth (Miller) Hochstetler. They at one time lived in Rolette County, North Dakota and Newton County, Indiana and

also Colorado, one of their daughters married to John M. Miller and their daughter Lizzie Miller married to William Yoder, a son of Levi M. and Fannie (Thomas) Yoder of who in turn was a son of Mose K. and Sarah (Zook) Yoder who left Mifflin to Homestead in Kansas and then later to Oklahoma where they died, Levi M. Yoder above mentioned was ordained minister at Millersburg, Indiana in 1913.

(232) Samuel Y. Lehman (218) had a son, Eli S. Lehman married to Sarah Hershberger and lived in

LaGrange County, Indiana.

(233) Joseph Y. Lehman (218) born 1873 in LaGrange County married to Elizabeth Burkholder, daughter of Eli and Susan (Ringenberg) Burkholder. Elizabeth Burkholder was first married to John J. Helmuth. There were no children born to this union. Joseph Y. Lehman was ordained a minister in 1927, in Indiana.

Next of the children of Jacob and Fanny (Lehman) Stutzman is (234) Barbara Stutzman (215) born 1848 died 1927, married to Joseph E. Mast, born 1849, son of Joseph and Mary (Miller) Mast. They had six children and are mostly in northern Indiana, although there are some of the descendants also living in Geauga County, Ohio as well as in Stark County. The above named Joseph E. Mast was a brother of Jonathan Mast, who died with six others from the results of kerosene oil explosion which occurred on the Saturday evening of January 25, 1868, two and one half miles southeast of Farmerstown, Ohio.

The next child of Jacob and Fanny (Lehman) Stutzman is (235) Magdalena Stutzman (215) born 1850 died 1928, married to Elias Mast born 1840, son of Joseph and Mary (Miller) Mast, a brother to the above mentioned Joseph E. Mast, they had two children, Uriah Mast and Joseph Mast. (236) Uriah Mast (235) born 1874 married to Elizabeth Briskey. They had eight surviving children (237) Barbara Mast (236) married Clarence S. Yoder. They were of Plain City, Ohio. (238) Amos V. Mast (236) married Esther D. Mast, they were at Jamesport, Missouri. (239) Lena U. Mast (236) married Jonas J. Beachy, they were at Riverside, Iowa. (240) Fannie U. Mast married Daniel Gingerich, they were at Hicksville, Ohio.

(241) Joseph E. Mast born 1876 died 1933 at Nappanee, Indiana married to Mattie Burkholder, daughter of Eli and Susan (Ringenberg) Burkholder. Their children were (242) Susan Mast (241) married Jacob Wickey, son of Samuel Wickey. (243) Eli A. Mast (241) married Lydia Stutzman, he was ordained a minister in 1935 in Napanee, Indiana where their family is also living. (244) Sarah Mast (241) married Jonas J. Hershberger, Sugarcreek, Ohio. (245) Anna Mast (241) married Elmer D. Stutzman of Nappanee. (246) Henry J. Mast (241) married Mary Hochstetler of Nappanee.

Next child of Jacob and Fanny (Lehman) Stutzman is (247) Herman Stutzman (215) born 1852 at Middlebury, Indiana, died 1900 at Yoder, Kansas, married to Gertrude A. Bontrager, daughter of Amos and Lydia Ann (Miller) Stutzman. To them were born eight children, there is a very large offspring from this family through out the States and Canada. In 1979, Mrs. Eli (Laura Stutzman) Gingerich compiled a very good register of the Herman Stutzman family and we will

point out just a few of the families mentioned in their book, the first in (248) Joseph E. G. Yoder (247) born 1868 married to Anna Miller, they had sixteen children born in Reno County, Kansas. The oldest (249) Betsy Yoder (248) married Shem D. Yoder. Betsy married her second husband Perry Yoder, her daughter Mattie Yoder married to Joseph Petersheim of Haven, Kansas.

Yoder married to Joseph Petersheim of Haven, Kansas. (250) Amos J. A. Yoder (248) born 1891, married to Fannie Miller, he was ordained minister in 1923 at Haven, Kansas and later moved to Fairbanks, Iowa, where he died in 1975. (251) Edna Yoder (248) born 1894 married to John I. Yoder, they moved from Kansas to Middlebury, Indiana. (252) Gertrude Yoder (248) born 1896 married to Levi M. Yoder, their son-in-law Orla Troyer was ordained minister in 1964, (252) William J. Yoder (248) born 1897 died 1920 at twenty-two years of age married to Anna D. Yoder. They had a two year old son when the father died, named Fred Yoder who is now married to Clara Petersheim and are living at Chetek, Wisconsin, Anna Yoder married her second husband, John R. Knepp and the third time to Enos Mullet and are now living at Shipshewana, Indiana. (253) Susie J. Yoder (248) married to William D. Yoder. They had twenty-two children and live at Topeka, Indiana. (254) Enos J. Yoder (248) born 1904 married to Susie A. Miller. They live at Hartley, Delaware. They have two children, one is Dora Esther Yoder married Sam H. Mast, the son of Henry and Lizzie Mast. And a son Amos Mast married to Elmina Beachy. They moved to Guthrie, Kentucky. (255) Andrew J. Yoder (248) married to Katie Schrock and they are living in Florida. (256) Joseph A. Yoder (248) born 1907 married Mattie Schrock, he died in 1968 and then Mattie married her second husband, John J. Bontrager in 1972. They are now living at Chatfield, Minnesota, their son Enos J. Yoder married to Amelia Stutzman, daughter of Edward I. Stutzman, which was mentioned in the last month article of The Diary (under family number 240). They live at Mount Elgin where he was ordained minister in 1962 and bishop in 1968. (257) Mary J. Yoder (248) married to Ben C. Borntrager. He was ordained a minister in 1968 at Wilton, Wisconsin where they live with their family. (258) Polly Yoder (248) born 1909 died 1970 married John Borntrager, he married second to Mattie Schrock, they are living at Mount Elgin, Canada, and also have a grandson John L. Miller who was ordained a minister in 1976 at Mossley, Canada. The above mentioned John and Polly Bontrager also have a daughter Anna Bontrager married Dan Stutzman, son of Edward Stutzman, mentioned last month under number (240) of Mount Elgin. (259) Katie J. Yoder (248) married to Henry Troyer, they live at Burlington, Colorado. Sons of their family live in Holmes County, Ohio, Milroy and Davis County, Indiana. (260) David Yoder (248) Plain City, Ohio married Sue Gingerich. (261) Nancy Stutzman (247) born 1873 married to David Bontrager, Nancy died 1923 then David married to Lydia (Miller) Briskey, David was ordained minister in 1921 and Bishop in 1932. They lived at Centerville, Michigan, a daughter of Fanny Bontrager, married first to Edward Hochstetler, second to Sam Hochstetler, who was ordained a Deacon in 1942, in Michigan. There are also some of the

David Bontrager family living at Jamesport, Missouri and at Mendon, Centerville and Bronson, Michigan, Reuben Bontrager, son of David of number (261) married to Mary Miller, was ordained minister in 1954 and Bishop in 1970 at Amherst, Wisconsin.

(262) George Stutzman (247) born 1875 married Anna Miller, daughter of Abner Miller of Yoder, Kansas. They lived at Topeka, Indiana. There is a large off spring of this family so I'll only mention a few. (263) Amos G. Stutzman (262) married Lydia Hochstetler. Their daughter, (264) Emma Stutzman (263) married Atlee L. Yoder, Dundee, Ohio. (265) Anna Stutzman (263) married, Elmer Wengard, Millersburg, Ohio. (266) Susie A. Stutzman (263) married Christ J. Miller, Dalton, Oho. (267) Mattie A. Stutzman married John C. Miller, one of their children live at Big Prairie, Ohio.

(268) Mattie G. Stutzman (262) married Andrew Lehman of Kansas. (269) Daniel G. Stutzman (262) born at Dodge City, Kansas married to Edna P. Miller,

Topeka, Indiana.

(269) William G. Stutzman (262) born 1914 at Reno County, Kansas married to Susan Schlabach, daughter of Sam and Edna (Yoder) Schlabach. They live at LaGrange, Indiana. There were no children born to this union.

(270) Eli H. Stútzman (247) born 1878 at Middlebury, Indiana died 1954 at Purdy, Missouri, married to Fannie Yoder, they had four children and appears they were not affiliated with any plain churches.

(271) Amos H. Stutzman (247) born 1881 at Elkhart, Indiana married to Millie Nissley, they had seven children being affiliated with the Mennonite and more

liberal churches.

(272) Jacob H. Stutzman (247) born 1885 in Middlebury, Indiana died 1967 at New Glarus, Wisconsin married to Tillie Mullet, daughter of Noah B. and Barbara J. (Yoder) Mullet, she died 1948 at Fairbanks, Iowa, they had eleven children, three who had died young, one boy David Stutzman died at nine years of age, while living at Haven, Kansas. He was riding the horses hitched to the binder cutting wheat when he somehow slipped and fell and got under the binder and died about an hour later. The other children were (273) Lizzie Stutzman (272) born 1907 married to Joe Chupp and are living at Amherst, Wisconsin. (274) Fannie Stutzman (272) married to Dan S. Miller, born 1909, they are living at Bronson, Michigan, but before were living at Buck, Iowa. Their son Harry D. Miller was ordained a Deacon in 1968 in West Union, Ohio. A daughter Sara Miller married Willie Plank who was ordained minister in 1977 at Milton, Iowa. (275) Noah J. Stutzman (272) married Fannie Yoder, Sarasota, Florida. (276) Sovilla Stutzman (272) married Phineas Borntrager, they are at Amherst, Wisconsin, their son Jonas P. Borntrager was ordained a minister at Clark, Missouri and a son Noah P. Bontrager was ordained minister at Hewitt, Minnesota in 1976 and another son Enos P. Bontrager was ordained a minister in 1974 at Amherst, Wisconsin. (277) Enos J. T. Stutzman (272) married to Mary Chupp, he was ordained a minister in 1951, in Indiana, but are now at Chesterville, Morgan County, Ohio. Their other children are at Chesterville and at Kenton, Ohio.

(278) Fannie Stutzman (247) married Jonas D. Mullet born 1885, died 1962. There is a large offspring of this family in Amish districts of LaGrange, Elkhart and Marshal Counties, in Indiana.

To be continued - Amos L. Fisher

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thundering during last night, this was one of the first thunder showers for this season.

Wilton, Wisconsin - Jacob D. Hochstetler

April was cool in first half of the month. We had several mornings with temperature of 30 degrees or below. Had 5 inches of snow on the 9th and rain and some thunder showers the 7th. It warmed up the last half of April with temperature up to 80 degrees on the 20th. Quite a few oats were sown in April. But it was so warm the last 10 days that it was hard on work horses. Had a fairly good maple syrup season.

May was mostly dry. Had frost the 8th and again on the 18th. But not much frost damage, some lilacs froze. Pastures were slow in coming. Hay is also short. Most of the corn is planted. Only had four-tenth inch of rain during May until the 29th and 30th, we had 2 and four-tenth inches. Farm sales are numerous. Quite a few selling out on account of money being hard to get. Interest is high, up to 20%. Milk cows are still selling good. But hogs, slaughter cows and also calves are still coming down.

Amherst, Wisconsin - Mrs. L. J. Borntrager

May started in nice and sunny. It warmed up quite a bit. We had several frosts the first part of the month. Some berry blossoms froze. We had very little moisture all spring after our snow was gone. It was getting dry to do plowing, etc. On the night of the 17th we had a nice drizzling rain of about seven-tenth of an inch. It was getting rather dry again, till the 28th and 30th we had several thunderstorms and some hail, making a total of  $2^{1/2}$  inches of rain. These were our first thunderstorms for the season. First corn planted is up. Still a few fields to plant. Oats are growing nicely.

Branch County, Michigan - Noah N. Schwartz

May has been a cool month with snow flurries on the 8th and frost on the 9th. Also several days of rain and thundershowers. The last part of the month it has warmed up.

Corn planting is done with some starting to cultivate.

Scarletine is making its round in our community and surrounding communities.

Bronson, Michigan - Ora A. Graber

The first part of the month was rather cool and dry, with some snow in the first week. The latter part of the month, especially the last week was warm and humid, following with severe thunderstorms. Some damage resulted from the splashing rains, and limbs from the trees blew down from the strong winds.

Wheat and oats look good so far. The corn fields look quite weedy and in need of cultivation soon, even though some fields were sprayed. Fruit trees are loaded with fruit.

Wingham, Ontario, Canada - Barbara Gingerich

May was either cool or sultry, with sudden changes. The week of the 7th the temperature dipped to 36 degrees, with frost three mornings. The last week was sultry, with our warmest showing 95 degrees, the hottest for the season this far. Rain has been plentiful, but not overly abundant. Oats and corn has all been planted, hay looks to be a promising crop.

Norwich, Ontario, Canada - Levi D. Stutzman

May was on the wet side up until the 19th with over 3 inches of rain. Farmers with wet fields were having a hard time getting their crops in.

The last oats for this community went in on May 24th. Still a little corn to plant. Although some is several inches high.

Chesley, Ontario, Canada - Jacob Hershberger

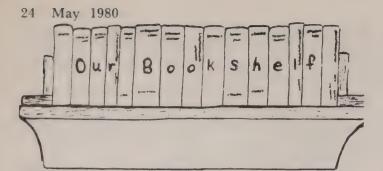
May has been nice with only 2.1 inches of rain and a few real warm days. The farmers have still some grain to sow and some corn to plant.

St. Marys Ontario - Abe Hochstetler

May has been near normal with little less rain in our area. Grass looks good, corn rows are visible.

Week of the 19th almost records warm for few days for this time

Hog price is staying down, cattle fairly good yet.



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#### HEADS BENT LOW

A stooped old man and a brisk young man, chanced to meet one day,
The young man said to the older one,
in his usual braggart way,
"Why don't you walk up straight like me?
That's no way to grow old;
It's all a form of habit.
At least, that's what I'm told."

The old man gave him a knowing look, and said, "My dear young friend, Have you ever examined your fine wheat field, and noticed the heads that bend? If not, just look them over close, as the harvest time draws nigh; You'll find the heads that are quite empty, are standing tall and high,

"But the heads that count in the harvest time are filled and bending low, Awaiting the reaper's bright sickle; their time is short, you know." And as the young man passed on by, he slowly bowed his head, No doubt he pondered many a day the things the old man said.

# **COMMUNITY NOTES**

Berne, Indiana - Preacher killed in farm accident

Pre. Samuel Z. Wickey, 38, #2 Berne, Indiana met with a sudden death and shocked the community on Saturday p.m. at 3:00 June 21. It is not exactly clear how the accident happened but was trying to stop a run away team hitched to a manure spreader and the manure spreader hit a field mower and he got pinned under the field mower, suffocating him. He had no broken bones. His wife viewed the accident and was treated for shock. The evening before the funeral she gave birth to a baby boy. He was ordained as a minister in 1967.

see obit

Gap, Pa. - Youth killed by horse kick

Levi B. Stoltzfus, 23, died at Lanc. General Hospital at 11:16, June 18. He died from hemorahaging caused by a massive laceration of the liver. A source close to the family said the accident occured about 6:30 p.m. when he was working near some horses with his brother. The horse involved in the fatal incident was apparently kicking at another horse, but instead caught Stoltzfus under the ribs. Born in Lanc. County, he was a son of Mose D. and Lydia K. Blank Stoltzfus, Gap #1.

see obit.

Ronks, Pa. - Senior member dies

John Fisher, 94, died on June 19 at 2:42 p.m. He was under a physician's care. He was a retired farmer. He was the husband of the late Fannie S. Lapp Fisher who died in 1954. Born in Leacock Township, he was a son of the late Levi and Hannah Stoltzfus Fisher.

He was the father of Amos L. Fisher who cared for him many years. Amos is the author of Geology column in the Diary, To Recall a few Memories of the Past. Gideon another son is a well known farm employment dealer near Gordonville, 4 more sons survived.

Ronks, Pa. - Senior member dies

Mary Stoltzfus Fisher, wife of Jonas Fisher #1 Old Phila. Pike. She was a native of Caernarvon Township, Lancaster in Conestoga Valley. She was a daughter of the late Bishop Samuel M. Stoltzfus and from a family of 20 children.

see obit.

New Wilmington, Pa. - Senior member dies

John D. Byler, 84, died June 16, 1980. Born Feb. 28, 1896, age 84 yrs. 3 mo. 18 days. Doctor called it a heart attack and died suddenly. He was married to Bena R. Byler who died April 23, 1952. Was second married to Sarah E. Byler.

see obit.

Wolcottville, Indiana - Man dies in one car accident

Ervin L. Hochstetler was fatally injuried June 22, Monday morning in a one car crash on CR. 700S. ½ mile west of CR. 300W. Authorities said the victim was a passenger in a car being driven east on the County Road by Lavern L. Miller, 18, R.R.2 Wolcottville. Miller, they said fell asleep at the wheel and the car went off the road and overturned. Hochstelder suffered massive head injuries according to police and died at 6:05 a.m. 2 hours after the accident. Miller, the driver, substained slight leg and arm lacerations and was treated and released from the LaGrange Hospital.

see obit

Mechanicsville, Md. - Minister and senior member passed on

Isreal Z. Swarey, 84, #3, died at home June 25. His wife, Gertrude Peachey Swarey, survives. They are both natives of Mifflin County, Pa. They were among the first Amish settlers in St. Marys County, Md. to where they moved to in 1940. He was ordained to the ministry in 1941.

see obit.

Bern, Indiana - Man dies after freak farm accident Preacher Samuel Z. Wickey, 38, #2 died June 28th.

Marshfield, Missouri - community note

Esther, wife of Alvin Yoder was rushed to the hospital on the 21st with severe abdominal pains and had a cyst removed and came home again the 24th.

Dundee, Ohio - community note

Mrs. Joas (Martha) Hershberger, 27 of #5 Millersburg, Ohio 162

had open heart surgery on June 24th, having the mitrol valve replaced with a plastic one. She is improving and expects to be released on July 5. She was quite run down being admitted to Millersburg Hospital on June 1, transferred to Wooster on June 6, from there to Canton Timken Mercy on June 14, from there to Cleveland Clinic Hospital on June 20 where she is now - July 1.

Middlefield, Ohio - Suffers concussion

David, son of Sam J. Byler, was hurt in a fall down the hay chute. He was bleeding-from the ear and may have to operate if the bleeding does not cease.

Clark, Missouri - Girl hurt in baseball game

On May 26 (Whit Monday) the young folks were together at Jacob J. Millers, while the boys were eating dinner the girls decided to play ball, then a hard ball that was batted flew in the face of Dena A. Gingerich breaking her nose and cheekbone, she was treated and released in Columbia Hospital the next day.

8 year old son, Dan, of Amos A. Miller broke his leg in a cultivator wheel some way June 9, It was broken in several places and done a lot of suffering but coming along alright now.

Menno D. Beachy, age 18 injured his hand at the above crowd also playing ball and about 2 weeks later he fell from a horse he was riding and broke a bone in his wrist, the same place that was injured before. He had it put in a cast in a doctors office, delaying him from work. His dad, Daniel S. Beachy, has an ulcer of the stomach, is not well a lot of the time and is aging fast. He is 62 years old.

Camden, Michigan - Boy run over by field sprayer

Louis Delagrange, 14 years old is in Hillsdale Hospital in Intensive Care Unit. He was run over by a field sprayer with 1 100 gallons of water. Doctors didn't think that his lungs were working right.

Haven, Kansas - Community Notes

Church services were at Wm. J. Bontragers, June 15 where we heard a good sermon by Pre. Robert Troyer of Holmes County, Ohio and on the 29th services at Floyd E. Schrock were maradale was by Bish. Mahlon Hochstetler also of Holmes County, Ohio. We want to thank both of the ministers for their inspiring sermons.

In the early morning of June 24th around 4 o'clock we had an explosion of a geyser shooting gas and water out of the ground from 6 to 12 ft. high. It is not shooting up now, but still spewing gas out 2 miles east of Cruppers just off 96 Highway. Trains and all traffic are detoured from Yoder to Cruppers Corner. In that area people are not allowed to combine their wheat, any spark from a motor could start a fire and explosion. Glen Helmuth and Tobe Schnocks have to move out of their nearby homes at present.

Buchanan County, Iowa - Hurt in baler accident

Henry Schwartz, Hazleton, Iowa married to Martha Yutzy, got his arm severely bruised June 27th while working with the baler. No broken bones, but muscles torn and spending several days in a Waterloo Hospital.

Eddie E. Gingerich while cooling off one warm summer eve in the old swimming hole made a misdive ending up with a sore shoulder and stiff neck that needed some medical attention.

Moosley, Ontario - Men hurt while sawing lumber

Sam Borntrager was sawing lumber when a 2x6 came back and flew on the saw and cut it in two and one piece flew back and hit Sam. He was rushed to the hospital, his pelvic bone was broken and his muscles were smashed. He has quite a bit of pain. He's home from the hospital. He can't handle his right leg. He's as good as expected.

Randolph, N.Y. - Boy broke collarbone

Noah, son of Emanuel Millers had a painful accident. He was hithcing the horses to the manure spreader. The horses started to go and pushed him over. The 2 left wheels went over his chest and broke his collarbone. They x-rayed him then put a brace on him

Berne, Indiana - Girl 9, breaks arm

Edna K. Schwartz 9, Berne, Indiana broke both arms while their horse took a step forward and she fell off face first. She spent overnight at the clinic. She has both arms in cast. She is kind of helpless. Millersburg, Indiana - Woman breaks hip

Mrs. Sam (Sarah) Troyer broke her hip. She was at the sewing then went to the County Line afterwards. She heard her hip break before she went down on the ground. She is at Goshen Hospital.

Gap, Pa. - Man breaks his ankle

John K. Stoltzfus broke his ankle when a cow kicked him. They took him to the hospital. He tore 2 of his ligaments. They put a pin in. He has a lot of pain. They want to put a cast on then. He has to be on his back for 2 weeks or so. He is at home and I would think he would have kinda long days as he was always very active and busy. But he has good help with his 3 sons.

Gettysburg, Pa. - Community note

Sam Z. Byler broke his nose while at work and had it plugged shut for about a week and is about alright again.

Clark, Missouri - Boy breaks his leg

One of Amos A. Miller's boys someway got his leg in a cultivator wheel and broke it.

Holmesville, Ohio - Community note

On June 19, Deacon Melvin S. Miller got hurt in the woods, while cutting down trees. A tree fell down and jumped sideways and hit his leg breaking it above the ankle also the ankle bone. He was in the Akron City Hospital 4 or 5 days. They put a cast on his leg then and left him go home. His add. is #1 Holmesville, Ohio 44633

On June 27, as Mrs. Daniel Yoder went to the refrigerator to get ice to make lemonade for the hay balers, a pie slipped out, breaking the plate and a piece of glass punctured a vein on top of the right foot. Different things were tried to try and stop the bleeding which oozed and squirted out at a steady stream. Finally a trip was made to the emergency room to have it sewed as doctors offices had just closed.

About exactly the same time a day later Edward L. Mast also made a trip to the emergency room after getting his 2 last fingers mangled in a planer. He was practicing with a too small piece of wood to carve out the edging of a door for a cabinet. One finger they just took the tip off but the other the bone was broken but

sewed it up.

Marvin, 18, son of Norman Yutzy, had the misfortune of stepping in a long 2 inch thin piece of glass going most of the way in which they also finally got stopped bleeding after loosing a lot of blood.

Millersville, #3 Ohio - Man falls from barn roof

Deacon Levi J. P. Troyer, 41, fell from the barn roof on June 9 while repairing the roof, according to reports he fell about 20 feet. His back is fractured in at least two places. He is in the Wooster Hospital and is still in Intensive Care.

Ethridge, Tennessee - Boy overtaken by Diesel fumes

Ura, son of Joe U. Gingerich was overtaken by diesel fumes so that he was taken to the hospital but returned home the same day.

Somerset County, Pa. - Community note

Floyd, 8, son of Noah P. and Sarah Summy got the tip of his thumb pinched off while at his uncle Perry Summys. He wanted to hitch the wagon to the tractor and got his thumb between the wagon tongue and hitch. He screamed loud enough that the neighbors heard him and came to see what happened. He was taken to the hospital and had it sewn back on. At last reports they weren't too sure yet whether it can be saved or not as some seemed pink and some of it was still blue. He was to see the doctor on Monday the 30th again.

Newburg, Pa. - 3 yr. old looses finger

Reuben, son of John K. and Sarah Esh was with his father to repair his grass mower. He was tightening a nut and moved the mower knife enough to cut off his small finger.

Adams County, Indiana - Community note

Edna, 9, daughter of Dan N. and Katie (Wickey) Schwartz had both her arms broken on the evening of June 19 when she got jerked off a buggy. She has both arms in casts. Her address is #1 Berne, Indiana. 46711. Her grandparents are Jacob D. Schwartzs of Sugarcreek, Ohio and Levi R. Wickeys #1 Berne.

Samuel 6, son of Joe S. and Leah (Schwartz) Hilty #2 Geneva recieved a broken jaw when he got kicked in the face by a horse

on June 18.

Levi L. Miller, #1 Berne spent several days at the Adams

County Memorial Hospital of emphysema. He hasn't been well for years as he also has a heart problem.

Riceville, Iowa - Boy looses index finger

The youngest son of Levi Petersheim had his index finger cut off at first joint while playing with a grass mower.

Lovington, Illinois - Man loses thumb

On May 22nd. Joas Herschbergers had the misfortune to get an aged horse down in the barn and by trying to get the horse back on his feet they ran into complications. They decided to move the horse outside with a rope and pulley. While doing this Joas had the misfortune to get his left hand thumb till the doctor concluded it should be amputated at first joint which they did and is coming along O.K. now. They were busy building another house for a son that is to be married soon. So they will be delayed somewhat in the deal.

Ashland County, Ohio - Community note

Adam S. Miller somehow got 2 fingers in the pulley above the grabble fork while unloading hay and took most of the skin off. Also Albert small son of Abe H. Rabers got 1 or 2 fingers in the pulley while playing with it when the hired hand was unloading and it took most of the skin off.

**Huntingdon, Tennessee - Community notes** 

Bertha, daughter of Levi S. Borntragers stepped on a piece of glass, cutting her toe pretty badly. If I remember right it took 10 stitches to sew it up. Her sister Ruth got hit in the eye with a nail that glanced off while helping make pallets. I understood she is to stay flat on her back for a while.

Marshfield, Missouri - Boy hurt from cow buck

Robert, son of Freeman Detweiler received brain concussions on the 7th when he was helping with the milking and got bumped by a cow some way.

McClure, Pa. - Community note

Tuesday, the 24th was the barn raising of Joseph M. Hostetlers of Reedsville, replacing the one that was destroyed by fire May 22nd.

Solomon Y. Yoder of McClure accidently cut a gash in his leg while peeling fence posts. It required 7 stitches to close the deep cut.

Mercer, Pa. - Met car - buggy accident

Rudy M. Byler, son of Mose S. Bylers met with an accident on Rt. 158 when a colored driver in a car drove into his buggy, hurting the horse so that it had to be shot. Rudy escaped with only stiffness and possibly light bruises. Some damage was done to the buggy.

Andy, 12 son of John D. and Saloma J. (Wengerd) Kurtz met with an accident while backing the tractor into a shed and getting pinched between a thresh machine and tractor when he didn't get it stopped soon enough. Results were a badly scared boy that was rushed to hospital and had to have his spleen removed. Was in hospital 3 days and at last reports was on a good recovery.

Oakland, Maryland - Community note

The baby of Noah Kauffmans only weighed 3 lb. 4% oz. and was sent to a Hospital at Margantown, W. Va. as it had complications.

Belleville, Pa. - Barn fire

The barn of Joseph Hostetler burned to the ground June 22. The cause of the fire is believed to be from children playing with matches. This barn was erected 8 years ago when Sim Hostetler divided his farm, along Coffee Run, and put up a new set of buildings.

Norwich, Ontario - Suffers burns from brooder stove.

Mrs. Dan E. Miller is in the Victoria Hospital in London since July 12 when she recieved 1st, 2nd and 3rd degree burns from a brooder stove mishap. She was getting skin grafts and must stay for a while yet. The building which was formally a chicken house was used for dry sow housing and machinery storage with the feed room being used for a brooder house. The building was destroyed along with 500 week old baby chicks. The wood was burned out of the machinery but most of it can be restored.

**Community note - Visiting Ministers** 

Pre. Tobie J. Miller and wife Pre. Clifford B. Miller and wife all of Kalona, Iowa were in the area from June 10 to June 13. Special services were held in Barrs Mills Northeast district in Barrs Mills School house basement June 11. Also at Pre. Amos

M. Yoders in Flat Ridge West John J. C. Yoder district June 12.

Johnson County, Iowa - Community note

The aged and feeble are about holding their own.

# **BIRTHS**

#### Conewango Valley, New York

Miller, Andy R. (Edna A. Mast), Conewango Valley #1, a dau. Katieann, May 3

Miller, David J. (Rebecca E. Miller), Conewango Valley #1, a son Jeff, June 6

Miller, Harvey M. (Edna M. Hershberger), Conewango Valley #1, a son Cristy, June 19

Miller, John M. (Clara L. Shetler), Conewango Valley #1, a son Reuben, May 25

Raber, Eli N. (Frona M. Yoder), Conewango Valley #1, a son Adam, in June

Trover, Dan S. (Effie M. Miller), Conewango Valley #1, a son Raymond, May 19

Yoder, Levi J. (Sarah J. Miller), Conewango Valley #1, a dau. Fannie, May 8

#### Clinton County, [Sugar Valley], Pennsylvania

Fisher, Christ (Barbara Stoltzfus), Loganton #2, a dau. Hannah, June

Fisher, John S. (Rachel Kauffman), Loganton #1, a dau. Sarah, Feb.

Fisher, Sam S. (Lizzie Kauffman), Loganton #1, a dau. Katie, Feb. 26 Kauffman, Levi (Fannie Stoltzfus), Loganton #1, a son Christ, March Stoltzfus, Levi (Annie Miller), Loganton #2, a son Levi, June 11

#### Montour County, Pennsylvania

Stoltzfus, Samuel S. (Barbara Stoltzfus), Bloomsburg #1, a son Stevie, June 15

#### Lancaster County, Pennsylvania

Beiler, Amos E. (Mary Zook), Kinzers, a son John, June 11 Beiler, Benjamin F. (Sarah G. Fisher), Christiana #1, a son Moses F.,

Beiler, Christ F. (Lydia Ann Fisher), Ronks #2, a dau. Sarah, June 1 Beiler, Christian M. (Rebecca Smucker), Ronks #1, a dau. Martha, in June

Beiler, Elmer L. (Priscilla Stoltzfus), Strasburg #1, a dau., June 29 Beiler, Levi S. (Emma S. Stoltzfus), Paradise #1, a dau. Ruth S., June 6

Blank, David G. (Mattie R. Lapp), Oxford #3, a son Ephraim L., May

Blank, Ephraim (Susie Esh), Ronks #2, a dau. Rachel E., June 26 Esh, Aaron S. (Lizzie Stoltzfus), Quarryville #4, a son Jacob S., June

Esh, Eli K. (Barbara Stoltzfus), Kinzers #1, a dau. Katie S., June 26 Esh, Elmer P. (Katie King), Ronks #2, a son Samuel Jay, June 26 Esh, Emanuel (Rachel Esh), Paradise #1, a son Samuel Arlan, May

Esh, Jesse L. (Malinda Stoltzfus), Narvon #1, a son Melvin S., June 7 Esh, Stephen L. (Rebecca K. King), Gordonville #1, a son Daniel, June 3

Fisher, Aaron K. (Katie Fisher), Gordonville, a son Michael, June 11 Fisher, Jacob S. (Mary F. Beiler), Bart, a son, June 13 Fisher, John K. (Leah Lantz), Gordonville #1, a dau. Rebecca L., June 12

Fisher, Samuel K. (Mattie King), Ronks #1, a dau. June 30 Glick, Christian B. (Sarah Kauffman), Smoketown, a son Eli, June 5 Glick, Eli K. (Sadie B. Zook), Quarryville #3, a dau. Nancy B., June 1 Glick, Menno (Colleen Martin), Kinzers, a dau., June 6 Kauffman, John (Arie Stoltzfoos), Christiana #1, a dau. Katie S., May 21

Kauffman, John K. (Barbara K. Beiler), Honey Brook #2, a son Elmer B., June 24

King, Daniel K. (Emma Fisher), Lancaster, a dau. Elizabeth, June 23 King, David S. (Sarah L. Dienner), Christiana #1, a son Ivan D., May 31

King, Eli S. (Nancy Esh), Lancaster, a dau., June 29

King, Jonas (Katie Stoltzfus), Paradise #1, a son Levi Amos, June 2 King, Jonas S. (Kathryn Fisher), New Providence, a son David, June Miller, Aaron S. (Lydia S. Blank), Leola #1, a dau. Rachel B., May 13 Miller, Henry R. (Lydia Glick), Lancaster, a son Stephen, June 7 Petersheim, Daniel B. (Barbara Stoltzfus), Christiana #1, a dau. Emma S., June 24

Riehl, Reuben (Miriam Fisher), Leola, a son Alvin J., June 9 Smoker, Samuel (Rachel Lapp), Ronks #1, a dau., June 27

Stoltzfoos, Daniel B. (Fannie Kauffman), Leola, a son Daniel B. Jr., June 6

Stoltzfoos, David B. (Barbara S. Fisher), Kirkwood #1, a son Isaac F., June 25

Stoltzfus, Abram S. (Naomi H. King), Nottingham #2, a dau. Sarah K., June 8

Stoltzfus, Amos L. (Edna Stoltzfus), Gap #1, a dau. Anna Mae, June 13

Stoltzfus, Daniel F. (Sarah S. Miller), Kirkwood #1, a son Daniel F. **Jr..** June 10

Stoltzfus, David K. (Katie Stoltzfus), Ronks #2, a dau., June 30

Stoltzfus, Elias L. (Mattie K. Lapp), Kirkwood #1, a son Benjamin K., May 2

Stoltzfus, Ervin (Ruth Fisher), Narvon #2, a son Sylvan Mark, June

Stoltzfus, Levi L. (Katie Stoltzfus), Paradise #2, a dau. Emma B., May 11

Stoltzfus, Norman B. (Rebecca Fisher), Narvon #2, a son Norman B. Jr., May 21

Swary, Ezra (Leah Blank), Gap #1, a dau. Susie B., June 1 Zook, Amos (Rachel Smucker), Gap #1, a dau. Rebecca Leah, June 13 Zook, Daniel (Leah Miller), Quarryville #3, a dau., June 30

Zook, David S. (Mary Glick), Paradise #1, a dau. Dora K., June 21

#### St. Marys County, Maryland

Swarey, Elam (Elizabeth Hertzler), Charlotte Hall, a son Aaron, June 23

#### Oakland, Maryland

Beachy, Alvin E. (Rachel H. Swartzentruber), Oakland #2, a dau. Mary Elaine, May 22

Kauffman, Noah A. (Alma Peachy), Oakland #2, a dau. Susan Jane, June 26

Schrock, Ezra N. (Ruth Orpha Peachey), Oakland #2, a son Matthew John, June 7

#### Mifflin County, Pennsylvania

Kanagy, Abraham (Emma Kanagy), Belleville, a son Levi, June 25 Peachey, Pre. David (Fannie Yoder), Belleville, a dau. Lizzie, June 12

Peachey, Joseph E. Jr. (Mattie Peachey), Belleville, a dau. Nancy, May 30

Yoder, Mose (Annie Peachy), Belleville, a dau. Rachel, June 6

Southern Mercer County, Pennsylvania Byler, Daniel J. (Rachel A. Mast), New Wilmington #1, a son Levi,

June 12 Byler, Eli L. (Elizabeth J. Hostetler), New Wilmington #1, a son Jacob, May 29

Byler, John A. (Lydia H. Byler), New Wilmington #1, a dau. Emma, June 17

Troyer, Dan M. (Lena E. Byler), New Wilmington #1, a dau. Katie, June 11

Yoder, Sam A. (Rachel S. Byler), New Wilmington #2, a son Aaron, May 25

#### Mercer County, Pennsylvania

Mullet, Melvin J. (Mary Byler), a son Simon, June 18 Yoder, Sam D. (Laura Coblentz), a dau. Betty, June 25

#### Geauga County, Ohio

Byler, Jerry (Ida Byler), Middlefield, a son Raymond, June 15 Detweiler, Mr. and Mrs. Albert, a dau. Susan, June 22

Miller, Freemon (Linda Farmwalt), Middlefield, a son, June 19 Miller, Joe J. S. (Sarah Hershberger), Burton, a son Wayne, June 4 Mullet, John (Edna Wenger), Middlefield, a son John Henry, June 8 Shrock, Enos (Lydia Mast), Middlefield, a dau. Emma, June 8 Smucker, Dan (Anna Miller), Burton, a dau. Viola, June 6

Weaver, Eli (Ada), Middlefield, a dau., June 16 Wengerd, Atlee (Mattie Miller), Middlefield, a son Raymond, June

Yoder, Eli S. (Sarah Troyer), Middlefield, a son Eli Jr., June 22 Yoder, Larry (Betty Stutzman), Middlefield, a son, June 17

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#### Wayne County, Ohio

Raber, Paul E. (Anna Mae Weaver), Apple Creek, a son Joseph, May Schlabach, John Daniel (Susan Yoder), Orrville, twin son and dau. Robert and Rachel, June 27

Yoder, Al A. (Ruth Troyer), Apple Creek, a dau. Mary Ann, in June Yoder, Ray M. (Sarah D. Mast), Apple Creek, a son Harry, June 14

#### Holmes County, Ohio

Hershberger, Henry A. (Malinda Yoder), Baltic, a dau. Amanda, June 14

Kuhns, Marty E. (Susie Yoder), Fresno #3, a dau. Elmina, June 19 Miller, Jacob M. (Anna Troyer), Baltic, a dau. Miriam, May 31 Troyer, Andy A. (Mary Yoder), Sugarcreek, a son Albert, June 18 Troyer, Eli (Katie Hershberger), Big Priarie #1, a son, June 23 Troyer, Dea. Levi' L. (Elsie Miller), Dundee #2, a son Allen, June 15 Yoder, Andy J. A. (Katie Ann Miller), Baltic, a son Marvin, June 8 Yoder, David D. (Elsie Erb), Sugarcreek #2, Leon, June 4 Yoder, Edwin L. (Lovina Yoder), Sugarcreek #2, a dau. Rachel, June 10

Yoder, Eli J. (Anna V. Wengerd), a son Ivan, April 22

Yoder, Levi (Mattie Raber), Big Prairie #1, a son Levi J., June 23 Yoder, Noah J. (Anna Yoder), Fresno #3, a son June 22

Yoder, Merle R. (Mary J. Keim), Dundee, a son Jacob, May 29

#### Ashland County, Ohio

Miller, Adam S. (Lizzie D. Miller), a dau., June 29

Miller, Eli S. (Naomi S. Brenneman), a son Simon, June 15 Shrock, David E. (Edna W. Keim), a son William, May 31 Troyer, John A. (Mary C. Miller), a son John Jr., June 4

#### Allen County, Indiana

Graber, Thomas (Mary Wagler), a son Thomas, May 26

Steury, LaVern (Martha Lengacher), a son LaVern, May 31 Wickey, David (Margaret Brandenberger), a son James, June 7

#### Adams County, Indiana

Eicher, David A. J. (Adeline S. Graber), Geneva, a dau. Sarah, June 18

Eicher, Samuel J. (Edith M. Schwartz), Berne, a dau., April Schwartz, Amos E. (Mary Ann Schwartz), Berne, a dau. Edith, in May

Schwartz, Dan H. (Leah Wickey), Bryant, a dau., June 17 Schwartz, Melvin F. (Rebecca Wengerd), Berne, a son, in May Wickey, Samuel Z. [dec.] (Margaret U. Schwartz), Berne, a son Daniel, June 23

#### LaGrange County, Indiana

Bontrager, Ervin (Irene Lambright), Millersburg #1, a dau. Glanda, June 23

Bontrager, Glen (Ruth Bontrager), Rome City, a dau. Christena G., June 7

Bontrager, Orla A. (Sadie Lambright), Rome City, a son Marlin, June 7

Eash, Daniel R. (Esther K. Schmucker), Topeka #1, a son Marlin Dean, June 20

Eash, Ora Jay (Irene Hochstedler), LaGrange #1, a son

Fry, Joe L. (Mattie Kurtz), LaGrange #4, a son Calvin, May 20 Hochstedler, Andrew H. (Carrie Kuhns), LaGrange #5, twin son and daughter Marvin and Martha, in May

Hochstedler, Harvey C. (Lizzie M. Bontrager), #4 LaGrange, a dau. Vera Sue, June 19

Miller, Alvin J. (Leetta Bontrager), #2 Topeka, a dau. Mary Sue,
June 19

Miller, Christy E. (Carolyn Mast), a dau. Dorene Kay, in June

Miller, Ernest A. (Erma A. Yoder), Goshen, a dau. Jolene Sue, June 17

Miller, Melvin (Buelah Miller), Ligonier, a son Omer

Miller, Mervin (Ida Fry), LaGrange, a dau. Malinda, June 10 Miller, Perry (Mary Schlabach), LaGrange, a dau. Louise Kay, June 4

Mullet, Homer A. (Sue A. Miller), #2 Topeka, a son Jesse Devon, June 17

Petersheim, Orva (Edith Stutzman), Topeka, a son Wayne O., June

Schmucker, Floyd (Grace Miller), Howa #1, a son Kenneth Eugene,June 25Stutzman, Robert D. (Loretta Hochstedler), Shipshewana #1, a son

Leland, June 16
Troyer, Jacob E. (Fannie Yoder), LaGrange, a dau. Minerva, June 4

Yoder, Levi R. (Clara Brandenberger), LaGrange #2, a son David Lee, June 21 Yoder, Melvin (Pollyanna Mullet), Wolcottville, a dau. Emma, June

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Yoder, William (Lizzie Miller), Shinshewana #1, a son Arlen Ray

Yoder, Dan H. (Mary Etta Mast), LaGrange #4, a dau. Velda Jean,

May 23

Yoder, William (Lizzie Miller), Shipshewana #1, a son Arlen Ray, in June\_

Weaver, Freeman J. (Mary Yoder), Topeka #1, a dau. Sue Ellen, June 7

Wengerd, Mose (Anna Borkholder), LaGrange #1, a dau. Martha

#### Nappanee, Indiana

Borkholder, Glen (Ida Schmucker), a dau. Martha Sue, June 6 Borkholder Melvin M. (Linda Lou Hochstetler), a son Steven Eric, June

Miller, Lonnie (Cora Sue Gingerich), a dau. Lori Jan, June 8 Troyer, Dale (Betty Lehman), a son Jerry, June 9

#### Daviess County, Indiana

Eicher, Norman (Wilma Jean Yoder), Loogoote, a son, Melvin, May 31

Wagler, Joseph Ray (Verda Graber), Montgomery, a son Stephen Eugene, June 9

#### Lovington, Illinois

Gingerich, Leroy (Emma), a dau. Anna, May 12 Jess, Chris (Lovina), a dau. Jerelyn, May 10

Jess, Elva (Viola Gingerich), a son Gary Lynn, May 21

Schrock, Roger (Anna Mae Diener), a son Kenneth Devon, May 30

#### Guthrie, Kentucky

Weaver, Abe (Iva Troyer), Guthrie, a son Melvin, May 8

#### Ethridge, Tennessee

Gingerich, Āndrew J. (Katie Gingerich), Ethridge, Tennessee a son Daniel, June 3

 ${\bf Gingerich},\ {\bf Andy}\ {\bf H}.$  (Naomi Hostetler), Ethridge, a son  ${\bf Mahlon},\ {\bf Apr.}\ 30$ 

Gingerich, Dannie M. (Fannie Hostetler), Ethridge, a dau. Elizabeth, May 1

Gingerich, Levi E. (Sarah Yoder), Ethridge, Tennessee, a son Enos L., June 13

Miller, Eli E. (Sarah Hostetler), Ethridge, Tenn., twins, Joe E. and Moses E., June 18

Yoder, Sam R. (Delila Yoder), Ethridge, a son Enos S., May 3

#### Pike County, Missouri

Girod, Jake (Savilla Gingerich), a dau. Mary, June 10 Mast, Jacob A. (Martha Eicher), a dau. Miriam, June 7

#### Marshfield, Missouri

Byler, Jacob D. (Mary Yoder), Marshfield, a dau. Delila, June 10 Lee, John M. (Katie Yoder), Marshfield, a dau. Miriam June 12

#### Audrain County, Missouri

Bontrager, Willard L. (Amelia Burkholder), Clark, a son Samuel, June 2

Gingerich, Moses N. (Ada Bontrager), Clark, a dau. Lydia, April 20 Lambright, Harvey O. (Rhoda Mae Yoder), Clark, a son Chester, June 4

Miller, Levi T. (Lizzie Burkholder), Clark, a dau. Mary, June 6 Yoder, Reuben C. (Amelia Petersheim), Clark, a dau. Mary, May 10

#### Webster County, Seymour, Missouri

Schwartz, Jacob J. K. (Josephine E. Schwartz), a dau. Lizzie, June 28

#### Garnett, Kansas

Schmucker, Elmer (Katie Yoder), Garnett, a dau. Faye, May 4 Troyer, Harvey (Wilma Yoder), Garnett, a son Duane, May 26

#### Buchanan County, Iowa

Kurtz, Neal A. (Lizzie Bontrager), Hazleton, a stillborn dau. June 19 Lambright, Jonas N. (Mary Nisly), Hazleton, a dau. Alma, June 2 Mast, Joe (Maryann Nisly), Hazleton, a dau. Linda, May 21 Raber, Roman C. (Emma Hershberger), a son Mervin, June 3 Yoder, Daniel (Katie Yoder), Hazleton, a dau. Ida, June 5 Yoder, Menno (Ida Miller), Fairbank, a son Bennie, June 26

#### Johnson County, Iowa

Beachy, Paul (Rose Mary Miller), a dau. Hannah, June 13 Jess, Andy (Vera Plank), a dau. Mary Louise, May 31

#### Amherst, Wisconsin

Miller, Jonas A. (Lizzie R. Bontrager), a dau. Sarah, June 4 Mullet, Ora E. (Fannie A. Miller), a dau. Lori, June 4 Yoder, Monroe A. (Susie D. Lehman), a son Amos, June 4

#### Cashton, Wisconsin

Kauffman, Andy (Katie Miller), a son Reuben, June 18 Mullet, Eli (Verba Mast), a son Marvin, June 23

#### Blair, Wisconsin

Schrock, William W. (Edna Lambright), Blair, a son Elmer, June 27 St. Marvs, Ontario

Yoder, Enos E. (Rosemary Eicher), St. Marys #4, a son Vernon James, June 3

#### Norwich, Ontario

Byler, Jacob E. (Mattie Shetler), Mt. Elgin #1, a son Jacob Jr., June 23

#### Grey County, Ontario

Schrock, Andrew A. (Elizabeth J. Stutzman), Chesley #4, a son Joseph, June 19
Stutzman, John J. (Sarah M. Hershberger), Desboro #1, a son

### Emery, June 15

#### MY WORK Mary Lou Burkholder

I have the greatest work in the world:
The job of rocking a baby to sleep,
That of guiding his tottering feet
A baby's clothes to launder and fold,
A precious life to shape and mold,
A drink to give from a little cup,
At night his toys to gather up,
Hurts to heal and fears to quell,
A baby boy to keep clean and well,
A stack of diapers to put away,
Oh, what a happy, worthwhile day!
I am a "Mother."

I have the greatest work in the world:
A husband to encourage when things go wrong,
When coming from work to greet with a song,
Denims and shirts to wash and mend,
A helping hand, when needed, to lend,
Three times a day his meals to cook,
And strive always my best to look,
His back to rub at close of day,
For his faithfulness to God I pray,
To him, in the fields, take some cool lemonade
For all these tasks his love has paid.

I am a "Wife."

I have the greatest work in the world:

A home to keep happy and clean and bright,
Make things go smooth and strive for the right,
Jams to cook and jellies to make,
Cookies and pies and bread to bake,
Washing, ironing, and sewing to do,
So many tasks, will I ever get through?
Lettuce to wash and peas to pick,
Floors to scrub, lost items to seek,
Dishes to wash and windows to shine
These and many more tasks are mine.
I am a "Homemaker."

"Help me, Father, to faithfully work,
Forgive if I've unconsciously skirked,
Give me the patience and love I pray,
To keep myself in duty's way;
With all the hustle that each day brings
May I not neglect the needing things;
Each day to spend time alone with Thee,
That Jesus Christ be seen in me.
Thank You for husband, our home, our boy,
Thank You for love which brings so much joy.
Thank You, Lord."

Sel. by Janet Filbrun, Covington, Ohio

# MARRIAGES

#### Sourthern Mercer County, Pennsylvania

Yoder, Byler - Stephen J., son of John E. and Mary Ann J. (Byler) Yoder, New Wilmington #1 to Annie, daughter of Jonathan D. and Malinda S. (Mast) Byler on June 5 by Andy J. Byler.

#### Mercer County, Pennsylvania

Yoder, Byler - Albert, son of Albert and Amanda Byler, Clarks Mills, to Linda, daughter of Menno and Saloma Yoder, Guys Mills, by Jacob E. Byler, New Wilmington

#### Oakland, Maryland

Fisher, Yoder - Henry N., son of Noah B. Fishers, Springs, Pa. to Rebecca, daughter of John C. Yoders, Oakland #2, by Bishop Norman Schrock, May 22

Kauffman, Bender - Abraham D. Jr., son of Abraham D. Kauffmans, Oakland #2, to Sarah, daughter of Albert Benders, Oakland #1, by Bishop Norman Schrock.

#### Geauga County, Ohio

Byler, Weaver - Jake, son of Jake and Susie (Yoder) Byler to Lovina, daughter of Levi (dec.) and Anna (Detweiler) Weaver, June 5

Byler, Yoder - Levi, son of John and Fannie (Detweiler) Yoder to Fannie, daughter of Jonas and Katie (Miller) Byler, by Amos Miller of Holmes County, June 10

Gingerich, Miller - Joe, daughter of John and Ada (Miller) Gingerich to Mary, daughter of David and Elizabeth (Burkholder) Miller, by Dan Wengerd, June 3.

Mast, Shrock - Dan, son of Noah and Mattie (Wengerd) Mast to Martha, daughter of Enos and Mary (Mullet) Shrock, June 25.

Miller, Miller - Joe, son of Albert and Lizzie (Miller) Miller to Anna, daughter of Melvin and Mary (Miller) Miller, June 18.

Miller, Yoder - David, son of Crist and Betty (Miller) Miller to Ida, daughter of Melvin and Mary (Yoder) Miller, by John U. Miller, June 12.

Miller, Yoder - Melvin, son of Dan and Anna (Miller) Yoder to Alma, daughter of Levi and Betty (Mullet) Miller, by David Miller, June 4.

Shetler, Byler - Paul, son of Jonas and Lydia Marie (Shrock) Stetler to Mary, daughter of Levi and Minnie (Fisher) Byler, June 10.

Troyer, Miller - William, son of Lester and Lizzie (Detweiler) Troyer to Sarah, daughter of Bill and Fannie (Byler) Miller on June 12 by David Miller Jr.

Troyer, Troyer - John, son of Eli and Fannie (Fisher) Troyer to Martha, daughter of Albert and Katie (Mast) Troyer, by Eli Troyer, June 5

Yoder, Miller - Owen, son of Melvin and Fannie (Hershberger) Yoder to Ella, daughter of Jonathan and Susan (Yoder) Miller, by Andy Byler, June 19.

#### Holmes County, Ohio

Miller, Miller - Ammon E., son of Eli J. Millers, Apple Creek to Martha, daughter of Atlee E. Millers, Belleville, by Chris S. Kauffman, May 8.

Miller, Wengerd - Levi D., son of Dan J. Millers, Fredericksburg, to Sarah, daughter of Ben V. Wengerds, Mt. Gilead, by Milo W. Glick, May 29

Yoder, Miller - Andy U., son of Ura and Sarah Miller, Millersburg, to Sarahann, daughter of Dan and Dena Yoder, Millersburg, by Eli S. Lehman, LaGrange, Indiana, May 29.

#### Ashland County, Ohio

Keim, Raber - Noah A., son of Bishop Albert J. and Katie Ann (Troyer) Keim, Ashland #1, to Sarah, daughter of Pre. Henry J. and Katie (Troyer) Raber, Greenwich #2, by Bishop Dan A. Miller, June 5

#### Allen County, Indiana

Schmucker, Eicher - Noah, son of Noah (dec.) and Sarah Mae (Miller) Schmucker to Rosemary, daughter of Daniel and Barbara (Graber) Eicher, by Bishop David graber, June 26.

#### Nappanee, Indiana

Schmidt, Yutzy - Stephen Schmidt to Rosetta, daughter of Eli and Loretta (Burkholder) Yutzy, by John Henry Hochstetler, June 18.

Yoder, Stutzman - Steve, son of Ivan and Wilma (Miller) Yoder to Kathleen daughter of Lloyd and Frieda (Schmucker) Stutzman, by Emery Yoder, June 18.

#### Steuben County, Indiana

Schwartz, Schwartz - John J., son of John M. and Margaret (Girod) Schwartz to Susie S., daughter of Sam M. and Katie (Wengerd) Schwartz, by Sam M. Schwartz, June 5.

#### LaGrange County, Indiana

Bontrager, Nisley - Samuel Jay, son of John W. and Ada (Miller) Miller to Elsie, daughter of Ora and Ada (Graber) Nisley, June 25

Hershberger, Beachy - Noah Jay, son of David Hershbergers, Kokoma to Laretta, daugther of Elmer and Alice (Miller) Beachey, by Dan A. Miller, June 12

Kauffman, Miller - Marvin, son of Marion and Leanna (Miller) Kauffman to Loranna, daughter of Ervin and Rosa (Miller)

Miller, June 26.

Nisley, Hochstetler - Paul, son of John and Barbara Ellen (Miller) Nisley to Mary Etta, daughter of Ervin and Lydia Mae (Raber) Hochstedler, by his father, John Nisley, June 12.

Yoder, Bontrager - Joas, son of Freeman and Mary Alice (Miller) Yoder to Lillian, daughter of Ralph and Polly (Miller) Bontrager, by Elmer Miller, Kalona, Iowa, June 5.

Yoder, Yoder - Jonas, son of Phineas Yoders of Centreville, Mich., to Margaret, daughter of Jacob and Emma (Barkman) Yoder, by Irvin Yoder of Michigan, June 4.

#### Daviess County, Indiana

Knepp, Kemp - Olan Jay, son of Raymond and Verda Knepp to Fannie Mae, daughter of Joseph and Barbara Kemp, by Amos A. Graber, May 25.

Raber, Wagler - Wilmer Dale, son of David and Sylvia Raber to Lovina, daughter of Arthur and Alta Wagler, by Ben E.

Wagler, June 1.

#### Lovington, Illinois

Gingerich, Schrock - Clarence, son of Eli and Fannie (Diener) Gingerich to Joanca, daughter of Jake and Katie (Mast) Schrock, May 29.

Otto, Miller - William, son of Fred and Martha (Miller) Otto to Kathryn, daughter of Elmer and Amanda (Hershberger) Miller, May 27.

#### Bloomfield, Iowa

Beachy, Lambright - Owen, son of Daniel and Savannah (Herschberger) Beachy to Esther, daughter of Menno and Clara Lambright, by George Gingerich, June 5.

Wagler, Yutzy - Steven, son of David and Ida Mae Wagler to Wilma, daughter of David and Ella (Bontrager) Yutzy, by Eli

Bontrager, Buchanan County, May 29.

Stutzman, Troyer - John L., son of Levi and Mary J. (Weaver)

#### Lakeside, Ontario

Stutzman, Troyer - John L., son of Levi and Mary (Weaver) Stutzman, Norwich #1, to Catherine, daughter of Levi B. Troyers, Lakeside #1, by Ben B. Troyer, June 12.

### **OBITUARIES**

Bontrager, Joni E., 79, #1 Curryville, Missouri died June 15 of a possible heart attack.

He was born November 17, 1900, the son of Emanuel E. and Elizabeth (Miller) Bontrager and was married to Elizabeth J. Stutzman.

Surviving are these children: Jerry, of Riceville, Iowa; Ura, of B.G. Missouri; Mrs. Reuben (Lovina) Schwartz of Curryville, Missouri; Mrs. Henry (Rachel) Yoder of Curryville, Missouri where he had his home.

Services were held at the Noah Schwartz home by Joe C. Yoder of Buchanon County, Iowa and Pete C. Burkholder.

Burial in the Amish Cemetary.

Borntreger, Alton, M., 2 months, 2 days, Tomah, Wisconsin died June 16 of respriatory defects.

He was born April 4, and was the son of Mahlon and Barbara Borntreger. He spent 3 weeks in Lacaorse Hospital and was in intensive care 4 days. He responded to the I-V and medicine enough that they brought him home, but didn't seem to cure his ailment. He was real sick the last week, but didn't cry much. Seemed like he couldn't take nourishment without causing him pain. He didn't take anything but a little tea for the last 3 days. He died peacefully at 1:30 a.m., he was very thin and pale.

Surviving besides his parents are 7 brothers: Daniel of Bush. Co. Iowa; Neal of Wilton, Wisconsin; Moses of Utica, Minnesota and Mahlon, Jacob, Perry and Willis; 4 sisters: Ada, Edith, Maryann and Clara all at home. 4 grandparents Moses and Mary Borntreger of Wilton, Wisconsin and Neal and Susie Borntreger of Anabel, Missouri, 1 great grandparent, Adain P. Borntreger of Medford, Wisconsin. 6 uncles, 10 aunts and many cousins.

Services were held Wednesday, June 18, 9 a.m. at Mahlon Borntreger with Pre. Ira Borntreger Med. Wisconsin and Bishop

Amos M. Borntreger officiating.

Burial was at the Amish Cemetery, Wilton, Wisconsin.

Byler, Mrs. Andy E., Burton, Ohio

Wednesday was the funeral of Mrs. Andy E. Byler (Maud) who had lost her eyesight sometime ago, and died in her sleep while visiting a daughter in Sparty, Pa. The funeral was held at a neighbor's the Ervin J. Millers. Andy has not been in good health for some time.

Byler, John D., 84, New Wilmington, Pa.

died June 16. Doctor called it a heart attack and died suddenly. He was married to Bena R. Byler who died April 23, 1952. He was married 2nd to Sarah E. Byler, April 19, 1956 who survives him, also 3 children: Rebecca, married to Urie M. Hochstetler; Joe, married to Mattie H. Byler and Dan married to Emma Raber; also 12 grandchildren and 19 great grandchildren. He was the last of Joseph H. and Katie Byler family.

Funeral services were held at his son Dans on whose farm he resided. Preached by Amos Schmucker, Lancaster County in the house and by Jonathan King, Lancaster County in the barn. Pallbearers were Henry R. Byler, Jacob H. Byler, Yost V. Byler

and Harvey J. Byler.

Byler, Susie E., 61, New Wilmington, Pa.

died June 26, she was a bed patient for over 40 years being faithfully cared for by her aged Mother, 87, who survives her, also leaves 4 sisters and 3 brothers besides nieces and nephews.

She was born February 11, 1919.

Farmwald, Katie M., 77, 330 Mimosa Circle, Sarasota, Florida died June 8 at her home. She was a resident of Sarasota for 15 years.

She leaves two sons, Marvin J. Farmwald of Elkhart, Ind. and Ellis L. Farmwald of Juliet, Ill; two daughters, Mrs. Mary Lou Snyder of Colorado Springs, Colo, and Mrs. Alice M. Hostetler of Sarasota; two brothers, Monroe Miller of Plain City, Ohio, and Perry Miller of Lima, Ohio; three sisters, Mrs. Clara Kramer of Goshen, Ind., Mary Ann Miller and Emma Miller of Plain City, Ohio; 12 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren.

Services were held Wednesday at 3 p.m. at the Tuttle Avenue Mennonite Church with the Rev. Stanlee Kaufman officiating.

Fisher, John M., 94, Old Philadelphia Pike, Ronks #1

died at 2:42 p.m. June 19 at the Lancaster General Hospital. He was under a physician's care.

He was a retired farmer and a member of the Old Order Amish Church.

He was a husband of the late Fannie S. Lapp Fisher, who died in 1954. Born in Leacock Township, he was a son of the late Levi and Hannah Stoltzfus Fisher.

He is survived by six sons, Amos L., Daniel L. and Gideon L., all of Ronks R1, and Christian M., Emanuel L. and Levi L., all of Gordonville R1; and a daughter, Mary L., Ronks #1.

He also is survived by 28 grandchildren, 123 great-grandchildren and a brother, Jonas S., Ronks R1.

Funeral services were held Saturday p.m. at the home resident in the barn by Pre. Jonas L. King and Pre. Gideon Riehl. Lied read by Dea. Aaron Glick.

Burial in Beilers Cemetery, Ronks. Lied read by Bish. Henry Stoltzfus, Brush Valley. Abshied by Pre. Amos S. Beiler. Pallbearers were grandsons John Fishers at small home, short service by Pre. Amos Smoker, Lied read by Dea. Sam Esh.

Ein lieblich Loos ist mir gefallen, Ein schönes Erbtheil mir beschert; Laßt Lob und Preis dem Herrn erschallen; Er ist cs werth, daß man ihn ehrt. Aus Gnaden hat er mich gewählt Und mich zu einem Bolk gezählt.

Ein lieblich Loos ift mir gefallen, Ein schönes Erbtheil mir beschert; Gern theilte mit den Menschen allen Ich, was mir Gottes Huld gewährt. Ich preif'es Allen herzlich an, Queil jeder Chrift es haben kann.

Fisher, Mrs. Mary, 84, Old Philadelphia Pike, Ronks, #1, died June 11 at her home following a two month illness.

She was the wife of Jonas S. Fisher. Born in Caernarvon Township, she was the daughter of the late Samuel M. and Sarah S. Stoltzfus.

Mrs. Fisher was a member of the Old Order Amish Church.

She is survived by one son, Samuel E. Fisher, Ronks #1, 8 grandchildren, 31 great grandchildren and 2 step-great-grandchildren.

Also surviving are 4 sisters: Mrs. Hannah Stoltzfus, Mechanicsville, Md.; Mrs. Annie Stoltzfus, Leola #1; Mrs. Lizzie Stoltzfus Lapp, Coatesville; and Mrs. Mattie Stoltzfus, Kirkwook; and 2 brothers, Stephen F. Stoltzfus, Kirkwood, and Christian E. Stoltzfus, Christiana.

Funeral services were held at home in barn June 14th by Bish. Jonas Lapp and Pre. John S. Fisher, Lied by Dea. Samuel M. Stoltzfus.

Burial in Beilers Cemetery, Ronks. Lied by Dea. Daniel L. Stoltzfus, abshied by Bish. Enos Esh.

Gingerich, Mrs. Barbara, 82, Harrisburg, Oregon

died June 19. The funeral was held June 24th, exactly 1 year

after her husband Joseph E. Gingerich.

She is survived by 3 children, Homer Gingerich and Mrs. Esther Miller of Harrisburg, Ore. and Mrs. Orpha Kropf of Duchess, Alberta, Canada.

Helmuth, Mrs. Anna, 84, of #1 Dundee

died Sunday in her home following a long illness.

She was born at Sugarcreek, a daughter of the late Levi and Mattie (Mast) Schlabach and lived most of her life in Holmes County. She was a member of the Old Order Amish and on Dec. 20, 1928, she married John W. Helmuth, who died Feb. 22, 1953.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Eli D. (Mary) Mast and Miss Lizzie Helmuth, both of the home; two sisters and a brother, Mrs. Verna Wengerd of Springsboro, Pa.; Mrs. Amos (Dena) Yoder of #5, Millersburg, and Andrew Schlabach of Winesburt; a step-brother, Atlee Weaver of #1, Wilmot; a half-brother, Levi L. Schlabach of #1 Beach City. A brother, 4 sisters, a half-sister and a step-brother are deceased.

Services will be held Wednesday at 9:30 a.m. in the Eli Nisley residence on #1 Dundee, with Bishop Isaac I. Miller officiating. Burial will be in Keim Cemetery in Paint Township, Holmes County

County.

Hershberger, Abner V. 47, of #3 Millersburg

died June 24 in his home following a long illness. He had been an employee of Belden Brick Co. at Sugarcreek and was a member of the Old Order Amish.

He was born in Holmes County, a son of the late Valentine A. and Amanda (Nisley) Hershberger. His first wife, the former Saloma Yoder, died in 1970.

Surviving are his wife, the former Emma Weaver; his stepmother, Mrs. Sarah )Yoder) Hershberger of #3, Millersburg; a son, Daniel A. of the home; 2 sisters, Mrs. Yost J. (Fannie) Miller of #1 Sugarcreek and Ella Hershberger of #3, Millersburg; 2 half-sisters and 3 half-brothers, Mary Hershberger, Mose V. Hershberger and Jonas V. Hershberger, all of #3, Millersburg, and Alvin V. Hershberger and Mrs. Henry L. (Esther) Erb of #1, Baltic. A half-sister and a brother are deceased.

Services were held Friday at 9:30 a.m. in the Ben D. Raber residence on #3, Millersburg, with Bishop John J.C. Yoder officiating. Burial was in the Hersberger Cemetery in Clark 168

Township.

Hershberger, Chris J., 84, #1 Sugarcreek, Ohio

died in his home Monday morning, June 23 following a brief

Born in Indiana, son of the late Jacob and Mattie Schmucker Hershberger. A retired farmer and a member of the Old Order Amish Church. His wife Clara Hostetler died in 1971.

Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Roman A. (Malinda) Yoder of the home; 2 sisters, Mrs. Clara Yoder of Nappanee, Indiana and Mrs. Alvin J. (Rebecca) Miller, Sugarcreek #2; 5 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren also survive. He was preceded in death by 1 son, 3 sisters and 3 brothers.

Services were held Wednesday morning at 9:30 a.m. at his residence. Bishop Milo M. Miller was officiating. Burial in the

Nelson D. Yoder Cemetery.

Hochstedler, Ervin L., 18, Wolcottville #2, Indiana

died June 22 at 6:05 a.m. two hours after a one-car accident. See community note.

He was the son of Lester and Lizzie (Miller) Hochstedler.

Surviving are grandparents, Christian Hochstedler; maternal grandparents are Ervin J. and Lizzie (Yoder) Miller.

Funeral services were held at the family home on June 26, by Bishop Jonathan D. Miller. Will give further details next month.

Kauffman, Clara, 60, New Haven #1, Indiana

died June 14 at her home. She was sickly for several years.

Survivors are her husband, Henry; 4 sons: Amos, Ft. Wayne, Andy of Monroe, Freemon of Norfolk, New York and Paul at home; 3 daughters: Barbara Graber of Hamilton, Rachel Hilty of Berne and Freda Shetler of Monroe; her father, Noah Miller, 90 years old of Plain City, Ohio; 2 brothers: Andrew of Ohio and Levi of Missouri and 5 sisters: Esther, Emma, Rachel and Anna Miller and Mary Stutzman, all of Plain City, Ohio.

Funeral services were held by Bishop Christy Schmucker in the home and by Bishop David Graber in another house. Burial in

Amish cemetery at Grabill.

Lapp, Mary K., 10 weeks, Narvon #1, Pennsylvania

died Thursday, June 26 at 3:30 p.m. at her home. She was the daughter of Benuel S. and Lizzie (King) Lapp. She had been ill since birth with a heart condition.

Surviving in addition to her parents are: two sisters, Miriam and Lind, two brothers, David and Benuel Jr., all at home; her paternal grandfather, John K. Lapp, Kinzers #1, and her maternal grandmother, Sarah E. King, Narvon #1.

Funeral services were held June 27 at 12:00 in barn by Pre.

Funeral services were held June 27 at 12:00 in barn by Pre. Dan S. Stoltzfus and Pre. Levi Riehl. Lied read by Ammon Fisher. Short services in house by Pre. Joseph Beiler, lied by Dea. Amos E. Stoltzfus. Burial in Masts Cemetery.

Miller, Abner S., 71, Sugarcreek #2, Ohio

died Thursday, June 12 of a heart attack. He had called the doctor for an appointment but died before he got a driver called. Born in Holmes County on July 3, 1988 he is the son of Sam A. and Sarah (Troyer) Miller and married to Barbara Miller on November 7, 1933 who is surviving.

Also surviving are: a daughter, Mary (Mrs. Paul A. Miller), 6

grandchildren, 4 sisters and 1 brother.

Funeral services were held June 15 at Barrs Mills School basement by Pre. Monroe M. Yoder and Jonas N. Borntrager. Also in Monroe M. Yoder's barn by Pre. Mose A. Schlabach and Pre. Henry E. Hershberger. Burial in Noah J. Coblentz Cemetery.

Miller, Carrie, 79, Arthur, Illinois

died of cancer. The daughter of Jacob and Mattie Kauffman, she was married to Pre. Levi G. Miller.

Besides her husband six children survive namely: Fannie, Lizziann, Eli Wm., Harvey L., Martha Lela and Mary L.

Miller, Enos S., 45

died in the hospital of cancer. He recently had surgery on his brain. He was married to Sarah Kauffman, daughter of Pre. Sam C. Kauffman. He leaves his step mother Rosie Miller (Levi.)

Miller, Mary D., 87, Baltic #1, Ohio

died Friday night at her residence after a lengthy illness. Born in Holmes County, she was a daughter of the late Daniel (Mary (Bontrager) Stutzman and was a member of the Old Order Amish She is survived by her husband, Enos A. Miller, to whom she

was married 62 years; two daughter, Mrs. Nelson S. (Susie) Miller of Sugarcreek #2 & Mrs. Jacob J. (Anna) Schrock of the home; two brothers, Jacob D. Stutzman of Amelia, Va., and Daniel D. of Norwich, Ont.; 10 grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren. Four sisters and two brothers are deceased.

Services were held Monday at 9:30 a.m. in the Miller residence with Bishop Robert N. Troyer officiating. Burial was in the Raber

Cemetery in Clark Township.

Mullet, Enos N., 89, #1, Shipshewana

died Monday, June 23, at his home. He had been bedfast two

He was born in Newton County November 21, 1890, the son of Noah and Barbara (Yoder) Mullet. He had resided in the Shipshewana area since 1943.

He was married February 13, 1913, to Polly Bontrager, who

preceded him in death April 16, 1951.

Mullet was married September 23, 1954, to Anna Knepp, who

survives.

Also surviving are Jacob, Noah, Ira, Albert and Melvin, all of Goshen; two daughters, Mrs. Noah (Sarah) Yoder of Chouteau, Okla., and Mrs. Eli (Clara) Beechy of Curtis, Wis.; two half-sisters, Mrs. Albert (Sarah) Kuhns of Nappanee and Mrs. Clarence (Mary) Miller of Kalona, Iowa; 61 grandchildren and 137 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held June 26th at 9:30 a.m. in the Melvin Mullet home near Topeka with Bishop Joe Yoder and the

Rev. Jacob Deiner officiating.

Schmucker, Henry, 62, of #1 New Haven

died of a heart attack June 16 at the home of his son, Jonas.

He is survived by his wife Anna (Zehr); 2 other sons, Paul of Ft. Wayne and John, Harlan; and 2 daughters, Margaret Gordon, Churubusco and Anna Brandenberger of the home; a sister Anna Lengacher, New Haven and 4 brothers; John R., Joseph, and William of New Haven and Victor of Grabill.

Services were held by Pre. Joe Bontrager of Goshen at home and by Bish. Leroy Nissley of Goshen at his brother Williams

home. Burial in Amish Cemetery, Grabill.

Stoltzfus, Fannie, 63, #1 Ronks

died May 30. She was the wife of David Stoltzfus.

Funeral was held Monday, June 2nd at Pre. Henry Esh residence by Pre. Ben Blank and Bis. David Blank. Leid read by Dea. Amos Lantz (Leb.) Burial in Myers Cementery.

Stoltzfus, Levi B., 23, Box 66, #1 Gap, Pa.

died June 18, 1980. He was kicked by a horse at his home and died from a ruptured liver 4 hours later in a Lancaster Hospital.

Surviving are 4 brothers, Christ J., Rebersburg, Jacob, Mose Jr. and Henry all of Gap. 2 sisters, Sadie, wife of Alvin Zook, Honey Brook and a twin sister Lydia, wife of Stevie M. Stoltzfus,

Gap.

Funeral services were held at the home June 21st. Sermon at the house by Elam B. Stoltzfus, lied by Issac Blank, page 442, at the barn, opening by John E. Stoltzfus, sermon by Mose Blank, Lied by Amos Zook, page 444. Graveyard lied by John K. Stoltzfus, page 420, abshied by Jacob Stoltzfoos. Pallbearers were 4 of his comrades, 1 cousin, Eli K. Blank; Isaac Stoltzfus, Rueben Zook and John Stoltzfus. Burial in Millwood Cemetery.

> Dihr jung und alten Leut', Thr müßt trag'n das Sterbefleid, Zeit raubt euch von eurer Blum', Tod und Grab wird euer Lohn.

Jugend voller Eitelfeit, Macht zum Sterben euch bereit, Rothe Wanger bleichen ab, Und der Leib fällt in das Grab.

Der weiß' Thron erscheinet bald, Alle Welt ins Urtheil fällt, Sünder fliehen bang davon, Heil'ge trag'n die Chrenkron'.

Swarey, Israel Z., 84, #3 Mechanicsville, Md.

died at home on Wed. morning, June 25. He is survived by his wife, Gertrude (Peachey) Swarey and 7 sons and 4 daughters. Jacob H., Christ M., Ezra I., and Israel Z. Jr. of Charlotte Hall, Md. and Thomas E., Levi I., and John B. of Mechanicsville. Elizabeth, wife of Moses Stoltzfus of Gettysburg, Pa., Sarah, wife of Isaac Fisher Sr., of Mechanicsville, Anna at home and Gertrude of North Carolina. One infant preceded him in death.

Funeral services were held on June 27 at their son Levi Swareys home. By Shem Swarey of Belleville, Pa. and Bishop Sam J. Stoltzfus of here. Many people from Big Valley were

Swartzentruber, Enos L., 40 #2 Harrison R., Applecreek, Ohio died suddenly after dinner, June 23, of a heart attack after loading hay in forenoon.

He was a son of the late Bishop Levi J. Swartzentruber and

was married to Mary, daughter of Andy S. Miller.

Surviving are his wife Mary and five sons and five daughters. The oldest child, a son, is 16 years old.

Weaver, Reuben (Pre.), Martinsburg, Pa.

died of a heart attack.

Wickey, Pre. Samuel Z., 38, #2 Berne, Indiana

died Saturday afternoon at his home after a freak farm mishap. He was born in Adams County. Indiana on April 6, 1942 to Samuel D. and Magdalena Zook-Wickey and was married May

7, 1967 to Margaret U. Schwartz.

Surviving besides his wife. his mother Mrs. Sam D. Wickey, #1 Monroe, 5 daughters; Rosie, 9, Mary Ann, 8, Emma, Margaret, 5, Priscilla, 1 all at home; 3 sons, Samuel 4, David 2, and Daniel was born the evening before the funeral of his father, also 5 brothers, Aaron, Joseph, Emanuel and Noah, aff of #1 Monroe and John, #2 Geneva; a sister, Mrs. Jake V. (Magdalena) Schwartz, #2 Geneva; 4 step-sisters, Mrs. Christ P. (Sarah) Schwartz, #2 Geneva, Mrs. Peter P. (Mary) Schwartz, Mrs. Chris G. (Priscilla) Schwartz and Mrs. Joe M. (Katherine) Schwartz all of Seymore, Missouri.

Preceding him in death are a son and daughter, his father, 2

brothers and 4 sisters.

Funeral services were held at the Dan M. J. Schwartz home on Tuesday June 24. Burial was in the Schwartz cemetery.

Yoder, Mrs. Enos E.

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#### **CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS**

Conewango Valley, New York - Mose D. Stutzman

June was some sunny with lots of rain showers, until the last week it was a very warm and sunny one. Some days were cool and some warm. Also had a few thundershowers throughtout the

We got a lot of hay put up the last week. Hay seems to be a good crop, also strawberries. Oats is starting to head out.

#### Seneca Falls, New York - Mrs. Noah S. Byler

The first 3 days in June were cloudy and rained some, also warmer. On the 4th it cooled off and was nice until the 8th it got cloudy and the 9th we had rain and a little hail but no damage done here. Some places they had quite a bit more. It was nice from 10th to the 15th when we had some more rain. Then it was nice again from the 16th to the 20th then rained during the night again. Then nice again from 21st to 27th. It was rainy from the

28th to 30th. We had 7 inches rain during the month of June. Crops are doing good with first cutting hay all in, some in silo.

#### Nittany Valley, Centre County, Pennsylvania - Henry M. Glick

In the first part of June we got some good showers after a temporary dry spell. On the 3th we had inch of rain which came down hard. It was warm the next few days. On the 7th we had 1½ inch in the evening. On the 9th we had one inch again. On June the 11th temperature was down to 35 degrees with some frost the next morning temperature down to 40 degrees. The rest of month it got a little dry and warm till the last few days of the month we had good showers.

Corn is well over knee high and alfalfa is about ready to cut again.

May came in a little on the wet side. By the 3th the ground was fit to work and plant. It got warm and breezy the next few days but by the 8th temperature dropped down to 32 and 33 degrees with light frost. On the 11th and 12th we had a very welcome rain. It rained again on the 14th, then we just had a few light showers the rest of the month. Hay is being cut. Most of corn is planted and could use rain.

#### Centre County [Brush Valley], Pennsylvania - David B. Stoltzfus

The second week of June was our first real good hay-drying weather although some hay was made before. Alfalfa yields varied considerably as many fields were mowed last September and froze out as a result. New seedings that were not mowed last fall yielded high. We had about three inches of rain and very good growing weather with the exception of several light frosts in the beginning of the month. The last week of the month saw the corn curling its leaves until Saturday when scattered thundershowers brought us from one-tenth to one inch of rain.

#### Montour County, Pennsylvania - Amos K. Stoltzfus

We had very little rain in June. Had a few little showers in beginning of June. From the 11th on we didn't have enough stop the field work. On the 28th we had a little shower and on the 29th again. Tobacco was planted in June, some corn yet and most of 1st cutting hay made. Wheat will be ready to cut in a week or so. It looks good this year. Tobacco started pretty good, corn looks spotty. It is quite dry, most of crops need rain before too long.

#### Juniata County, Pennsylvania - David Y. Renno

The weather here was dry, some very cool days when farmers were coats to make hay, also some very warm days with in the 90's the last of the month. Rainfall was rather scarce although crops were not affected much.

First cutting hay was very tall, thick and tangeled up. Oats and wheat look good. Also cherries produced very well. The month ended dry and hot and pastures are turning brown.

#### Bareville, Leola, Pennsylvania - Levi L. Stoltzfus

On Saturday evening, June 28 Eastern Lancaster County had a wide area of storm and hail damage.

Rainfall for Bareville area in June was 5 inches.

Market report:

Fat Cattle \$67.00 - \$74.25 cwt.; feed steers \$53.00 - \$96.00 cwt; fat hogs \$40.00 - \$44.00 cwt.; 40 pound feeder pigs \$40.00 - \$64.00 cwt.; choice spring lambs \$64.25 cwt.; Dairy cows at New Holland \$825.00 - \$1410.00; ear corn \$89. - \$100. ton or \$3.10 bu.; wheat \$4.00 bu.; barley \$2.35 bu.; oats \$2.00 bu.; hay \$35.00 - \$88.00 ton; straw \$35.00 - \$73.00 ton; pullets and roasters \$.40 - \$.45 lb.; duck \$1.09 lb.; gunies \$2.12 lb.; potatoes retail \$14.00 cwt : milk

#### Southern Snyder County, Pennsylvania - Sam M. Troyer

We had around three and a half inches of rain this month. Around the eleventh we had cool so that we had a light frost. Then it got cool and dry till about the last week it got quite hot so that corn was curling, then on the 28th and 29th we got thunder showers so that we got around an inch and a half of rain. A lot of nice hay was made and most crops are looking fine.

#### McClure, Snyder County, Pennsylvania - John Y. Speicher

June was very changeable. We had frost, some nights were cool, others cold with the low 30's temperature. We also had some real warm days with 90 and in the 90's. The last two weeks were on the dry side. On Saturday p.m., the 28th a thunder storm came in from the north. It also rained during the night and

Sunday a.m. Power was off some places. A transformer was knocked out at Crossgrove Hall due to lightning. Telephone service is out in some areas. Corn was suffering on high, shale ground, also grass and some ponds were getting low. Early sown wheat looks good and will soon be ready to bind. Some farmers are done with first cutting hay.

#### Mifflin County, Pennsylvania - Catherine M. Swary

June was a nice summer month with warm days, cool nights. Lowest morning temperature was 34 degrees till around the middle we had warmer nights. strawberries and peas made a good crop. Cherries not as plentiful as some years. Lots of nice hay is put away, barley almost ready to cut. The first half of June we had good showers, approximately 4 to 4.5 inches rain. The last half we had less rain and warmer nights. A twister hit the southern end of the valley. Quite a few were uprooted, but hit the hardest at Jonas Zooks with damage to the barn and green house. A new barn with round rafters has been built from the floor up and also a shed. Last I heard plans weren't sure to build a new green house or repair this one.

The last week in June was warm and dry with showers again on June 28th and 29th but is now cooler again after the showers.

#### Adams County, Pennsylvania - Elizabeth A. Stoltzfus

June was a pleasant month with showers throughout the month. We had a total of 3.6 inches. Also had a dry period, when we had .2 inch on Friday, June 20 and no rain but wind till the 29th when we got welcome showers which totaled 1.8 inch. The we had strongs winds and continuous rolling thunder and lightning with the first storm early that morning. Our coldest morning was on the 11 when temperature was at 40 degrees.

Timothy hay is making good yields of up to 180 bales per acre. Wheat is yellow and almost ready to cut. Corn fields look nice and green. Early sweet corn is in tassels. Strawberries were a good crop, same way with peas. Raspberries are about over with. Ours did much better then I thought they would as they had some kind of blight earlier.

#### Meyersdale, Somerset County, Penna. - Mary A. Kinsinger

Our weather for June had the two extremes. The first 2 weeks were wet and cool. The 3rd and the 20th were very windy. The 11th and 12th we had light frosts. Some places the corn, etc. looked rather sick, but most of it grew out again. In June we had 5.8 inches of rain and had most of it in 2 weeks time. The evening of the 15th we had a real gully washer. It rained 2 inches that evening and during the night.

Corn and gardens look fairly nice now.

#### Southern Mercer County, Pennsylvania - Mrs. Eli H. Kurtz

The first half of June had several rainy days and also a few days cool so that a little heat in house was needed for comfort, last half of the month was more ideal hay weather. We had real warm days and sunshine so that farmers could get a nice lot of hay in without rain. The 29th and 30th we had rain with thundering and hail on the evening of the 29th.

#### Mercer County, Pennsylvania - Dan J. Troyer

The first half of June was cool and cloudy with a little over 2 inches of rain. We had some scattered frost the 11th and 12th but no damage. We had no rain for 2 weeks, between the 15th and 29th. A lot of good hay was put up. We had some real warm and windy days. On the 29th we had 7/10 inch of rain. Oats is heading, barley ready to cut.

#### Crawford County, Pennsylvania - Mrs. Menno Fisher

The first half of the month was very cool with showers now and then. On the morning of the 11th there was a light scattered frost in the low areas.

The last half of the month we had excellent hay weather. A lot of hay was put away without any rain which was a good crop. Several times we hear thunder around us. At places as much as a an inch of rain was reported a distance away, but only a few sprinkles here. Corn has begun to grow since we are having warmer weather.

Total rainfall is 5.67 inches, highest temperatures 84 degrees, lowest 32 degrees.

#### Oakland, Maryland - Mrs. Atlee Hershberger

The first part of June was more cool and rainy then after the middle of June it turned warmer and dryer. The last day of June

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it was cooler again.

A tornado went through the community on June 3rd, taking buildings, trees, etc. It scattered debris in its path of buildings that were demolished.

Our people had mostly tree damage and debris in their fields.

#### St. Marys County, Maryland - Susie A. Stoltzfus

June was mostly sunny; had very little rain. Crops show signs of dry weather. The 29th was the warmest which was up to 102 degrees.

Hogs are selling better again.

#### Geauga County, Ohio - Eli E. Miller

June was wet and cloudy until the 10th. In the last half we had nice haying weather, a few showers the last week. Hay is mostly a good crop. Wheat, speltz or oats are looking good but corn is slow on account of cool nights.

Feeder pig prices are up some, fat hogs up to \$.42 a

hundredwt. Eggs are slightly higher.

#### Western Holmes County - Monroe A. Weaver

The forepart of June was wet an cool like. The last half of June was real good hay weather. The last week averaged a high temperature of 90 degrees. We had  $1\frac{1}{2}$  inch rain on June 28th, 6 inches rain in June. Today, the 30th it is cool.

Hog prices are up to \$15.00 cwt. from the low point up to \$43.50 now and pigs are considerable higher again. Cows are steady \$1000. to \$1400. for gool milk cows. Beef is a little stronger, veal calves are higher, bull calves up to \$1.30 cwt., heifer calves up to \$1.90 cwt.

#### Western Tuscarawas County, Ohio - Jonas N. Borntrager

We had 5 inches of rain the first in the first half of June, but very little since. Crops are not suffering for moisture but a shower would be wonderful.

Farmers put some grass in silos. The last 2 weeks were some nice hay weather and some very nice hay was put in the mows. I think farmers are mostly done putting up hay. Some corn plowing was done and some corn was replanted the last 2 weeks. Wheat has started to turn color. Wheat and oats look very good. Early planted corn is nearly waist high.

Top hogs are nearly 42 cents per pound. Milk is steady at

\$11.40 per cwt.

#### Wayne County, Ohio - John Stutzman

We had a lot of rain in the first part of June. Tornados put down about sixty trees in our woods. We had a light frost on June 10th. The last part of the month was very good for haying. Early corn looks the best, although there are some yellow spots from cool and wet weather. Last of the month is very warm and getting dry. Barley is being cut. Wheat is starting to turn. Oats are heading out.

#### Ashland County, Ohio - Ammon A. Troyer

We had 5 inches of rain in June. Everything is growing nicely. Most of first crop hay is in the barn. Wheat won't be ready to cut by July 4th this year.

#### Hicksville, Ohio - David Raber

The weather has been real nice to put up hay. Most of the hay was put up without rain. Hay was real thick and long this year. A lot of farmers that didn't get their crops out in early May didn't get finished until mid June. Corn that was early looks real nice and oats look real heavy. Most beans were planted late. Days have been very warm and humid the last week.

#### Allen County, Indiana - Mrs. John Schmucker

We had a lot of rain during the first half of the month, which made nice strawberries and hay plentiful. Also was hot and humid the last week with temperature in the 90's. Wheat cutting is started. We had some rain with high wind then turned pretty cool which made some of the corn fields look like they'd been touched by frost, but are looking better again.

#### LaGrange County, Indiana - Anna D. Eash

Weatherwise it was somewhat chilly and at times fires even felt good. However we also had warm, up the 86 degree weather. Much hay was made, corn is doing quite well. It was dry at times but rain at different times so all in all we have much to be thankful for.

The garden and fruit report runs good, strawberries were

extra nice, radishes, onions and lettuce did well. Beans and peas are on the menu now

Lots of reunions are going on, also few weddings.

We just had a nice shower of rain today at noon with some thunder and lightning.

#### Kokomo, Indiana - Mrs. Ivan J. Gingerich

The first half of April was quite rainy and also had several foggy mornings. Around the middle of the month it was in the 70's a few days so that many were able to plant garden. The next week was cooler and a few mornings down to 34 and 32 degrees but those mornings it always got breezy or cloudy enough that all fruit blossoms were protected. It was still rather chilly the last week but many farmers still planted corn.

May has brought ideal farming weather with showers every week, which really came in handy for those who had spring plowing to do and got some hard spots with it. Strawberries bloomed heartily this year and looks promising for a good crop This is the first year in a long time that the peach blossoms were

not ruined by a hard winter.

#### Daviess County, Indiana - Elizabeth Mae Raber

June was alittle on the dry side. Corn was curled up thru the day when it was warm. Then on the 23rd we had a nice rain of 1.1 inch in forenoon and another .7 inch in evening. So now corn looks good. We had another inch of rain in the evening and night of the 28th. We also had a few showers earlier in June, so total rainfall for June was 4 inches.

We didn't have as much warm weather yet as some years. We had a couple cool mornings of 50 degrees, but had 10 days of 90 degrees or more. On the 7th, 15th and 27th it was up to 95

degrees.

First cutting hay is mostly finished and was a good crop. Wheat is in shocks and also looks like a good crop.

#### Lovington, Illinois - Henry Yoder

We had a typical month of May, starting with sunshine but with the general cold and wet spell between the 1st and 10th. However the rains were light. We had light rains around the 10th and 17th and also around the 24th. Six different showers accumulated to 2.4 inches of rain which provides for good seed bed and good growing weather by end of month. Corn was planted the last week of April and through May with most of it a good stand on the ground but a few problems of cutworms.

Soybean planting is mostly finished. Quite a bit of the stalk ground that wasn't plowed in the fall was disced this spring instead of plowing where soybeans were to be seeded. We weren't able to plow early as it was too wet and cold in March

and the first half of April.

Markets are mostly steady. Corn, soybean and wheat haven't changed much. Soybeans appreciated mostly though. Last reports were \$5.95 per bu. Corn \$2.45, wheat \$3.78

Cattle and hog prices are about steady with not much demand

for feeder pigs but a good demand for small calves.

#### Marion, Kentucky - Samuel Hertzler

Weather for May was on the cool side and had enough moisture to make a heavy crop of hay and grain. Hay is now in the making and weather has been wet enought the last ten days to bring field work to almost a stand still. Cool weather gave the horses enough, of a break that planting was further ahead this year than the other years.

Strawberries are being raised as a cash crop by some. The

berries are nice and the crop is heavy.

Andy Beiler and his wife of Kinzers, Pennsylvania are here visiting her folk at present. They expect to start on they way home this week in the covered wagon. Andy and John David Allgyer used to come her from Pennsylvania last summer.

#### Guthrie, Kentucký - Jesse D. Peachey

We had nice growing weather. It had been getting quite dry til the middle of the month it started raining. We had 4 inches over one weekend and have had showers since. Barley is about ready to combine and wheat is changing color. Beans aren't all planted yet as some were waiting for rain. Now its plenty wet.

Hogs \$30.00. Corn \$2.60.

#### Ethridge, Lawrence County, Tennessee - Moses J. Gingerich

The first part of June was dry and warm with most of the higging in. We had a good rain on about the 16th, on the 23rd and

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again on the 29th. Quite a bit of the crops are laid by. Fall wheat is about ready to thrash. Spring oats is being cut.

Strawberries were a good crop and are now over.

#### Lobelville, Perry County, Tennessee-Ruth Miller

The month of May was rather dry, the temperature being around 80 degrees till the 16th, then it rained about 2 days. We had 3.4 inches of rain. It didn't rain since and it's sorta dry again. Most crops are in except sorgum which isn't planted here till June. Seemed everyone is busy keeping weeds down tho, the strawberrys are almost over, we didn't have a very good crop being it rained so much while they were ripening. Alot of them molded while still green.

Most farmers are very busy with hay right now, and the

weather is just excellant for it.

The warm weather also is inviting to the snakes. Many of them are seen here but not all poisoness we did see a hudge rattlesnake the other day with 13 rattlers. It would sound like a presure cooker exploding.

#### Huntingdon, Tennessee - Rudy Troyer

The 1st part of the month seemed to me like just a little on the cool side for this time of the year, but the last week was very warm and sultry. The rain for the month added up to about 2.6 inches, although the last showers were quite scattered so some people have different amounts as their record. Strawberries, in general, did very good but are about coming to an end. Hay making is on the go, which looks good too. Winter oats and wheat are turning.

#### Anabel, Missouri - Mrs. Abe Y. Borntreger

May is a very nice month for the farmer. It was a little on the dry side until the last of the month. This last week we had a nice amount of rain. Crops and gardens that were planted 2 to 3 weeks are now coming up since the rain. Corn is planted and some beans, too. Alfalfa hay is being made. Strawberries are starting. They are late this year.

#### Windsor, Missouri - Mrs Monroe Hershberger

We had no rain this month before the 10th, then about 3½ inches since then in May. But there's still a nice amount of sub-moisture from earlier this spring. Our temperature dropped to 32 degrees on May 9th and had enough frost to kill some tomato plants (that were covered) for us, and hurting some of Dad's strawberry patch. Most of the folks around here, had very little frost at all. The sun hasn't shone so brightly and seemed a bit hazy, since the eruption of the valcano in Washington on May 19th.

Our wheat field look real good and seems fully headed out during the last week now. Believe field crops are about all in. Some hay is being put away. Our strawberries produced much better then we expected, have picked a few peas.

#### Bowling Green, Missouri - Jacob A. Mast

June was a warm and dry month. Some had showers at times while at other places they had quite a bit rain. Strawberries were a good crop, peas didn't do so good. Men are cutting wheat.

#### LaPlata, Missouri - Mrs. Mose M. Bontrager

We had some rain the first week in June. Temperature ranged from 62 to 90 degrees during the day and the last week we've had real warm weather with 102 degrees.

We had ½/10 of an inch of rain on the 14th and 2/10 on the

22nd. Could use a good soaker by this time.

Peas are about past, and cucumbers and beans on the menu. Gardens do surprisingly well with not more moisture we've been getting.

#### Seymour, Webster County, Missouri - Menno D. Schwartz

We had some very warm humid days and nights the last week. Also another ½ inch rain on Sunday. The first half was dry and warm, with around 2 inches of rain about the 20th of June.

Hay was a good crop, ours made a little over 100 bales per acre. Oats is good on the average, some starting to cut it. Wheat is a very heavy crop, what little is raised through here.

We had some hale storms on the 23rd, worst was in Springfield.

Cattle are still a fairly good price. Little day old heifer calves

(holstine) sold for \$130.00. Hogs finally went up, last week the 26th, to \$42.25. I wonder how high they will go now, or how much the country as a whole cut back. Those that hung on, will now make money.

#### Marshfield, Missouri - Ruben Yoder

We had a nice amount of rain in May. The first several weeks were quite cool with frost in the low spots several mornings, then it turned warm and humid and temperature went up in the 90's but hay didn't cure very good until the last several days.

Fat hogs are in the 30's again some days. Feeder pigs are

cheap

June started warm and dry with several weeks of 90 degrees and over till the 16th we received ½ inch of rain. That week we received 3.4 inches all together. Then the last week was very warm and humid with temperature in the upper 90's every day and reports of over 100 degrees on Saturday the 28th.

Hay and oats are a short crop but corn looks to be very good. Hog prices reached a little over \$40.00 and feeder pigs are up to

\$70.00.

#### Audrain County, Missouri - Samuel D. Beachy

Spring planting was delayed until the later part of April, since its more on the dry side, although we had several nice and welcome rains in May. The last rain we had was on May 30th and a little on June 1st and 2nd. Other then that June was without any measureable rain. Hay was a good crop for most farmers, going in the barn in A1 condition. Corn is growing nicely what got a good start. You see some beans that are coming up very uneven. Pastures are becoming bare at this time. Strawberries started ripening a week later then normal which produce good but is a short crop. Missouri has a good peach crop prodicted. Wheat is cut and on shocks. Combines are starting to harvest with a fair to good crop.

There was a number of papers, including some cancelled checks, etc. found in the area that was carried here from the tornadothey had in Sedalia, about 90 miles southwest from here,

on May 12.

#### Garnett, Kansas - Edward H. Yoder

Weather has been pleasant. Crops were growing good with exception of grass. We had very little moisture all month. Lots of corn came out of the ground spotted but after small showers most of it has a good stand now. Long season beans are come up. The majority of the beans are not planted. Strawberries are a good crop.

#### Haven [Reno County], Kansas - Mrs. E. E. Schrock

June is soon history for 1980. Time goes on, as we get older time moves on faster. We have truly harvest weather in Kansas Temperature was from 59 to 110 degrees last week. We appreciate the nice breeze in this hot weather. Combining is going toward an end, a few have finished cutting. That late planting wheat (because of heavy rains last fall) is very thin and of poor quality. However we have much to be thankful for. Some earlier sown wheat was fair.

#### Reno County [Partridge area], Kansas - Edward A. Mast

June was on the dry side with a total of about 1 inch rain. Most of the month had about average temperatures except for the last week which was extra warm. It was over the 100 degree mark daily and as high as 111 degrees was reported.

Wheat harvest started late but went real fast. It being dry and close to full moon long days were put in. Yields probably averaged less than usual but better than was expected. Some late planted wheat had quite a bit of weeds. The price is about \$3.50

#### Bloomfield, Davis County, Iowa - Mrs. Daniel D. Yoder

The month of May was dry causing garden vegetables to come up very uneven. Oats seem short. By June 1 the storms and rains began. By mid-month we had approximately 12 inches of rain and several wind storms doing some minor damage and at places hail damage. Some crops needed to be replanted farther south. Lots of topsoil was washed down the river. Very poor haying weather until the last 1½ weeks the weather settled more. The 25th, 26th and 27th were very warm and humid days, being a possible cause for several loosing work horses. It cooled off the 28th being very pleasant since. Strawberries were a good crop altho many rotten ones. Wild raspberries are plentiful and looks like blackberries and wild grapes will also be.

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# T. T. van Sittert's Apology for the Anabaptist— Mennonite Tradition, 1664

Translated and edited by J. C. Wenger

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Also the vast amount of innocent blood that has been shed since that time is known widely among the Reformed, and it appears in even greater clarity in said book (pages 174, 175, 176); and also in the great book of Christian martyrs of the Reformed, written by Abraham Mellinus, Dordrecht (Isaac Jans Canin, publisher, 1619); also in the volume [Martyrs Mirror] by Tielemen van Braght, Dordrecht (Jacob Savery, publisher, 1660). In both of these volumes it is clearly shown that those who confessed the Christian religion, especially those who were nonresistant (from the time of Christ to the present, century by century) have suffered most of all and won the martyr's crown. They had to endure all kinds of suffering with the others because for conscience' sake they could not submit to

human laws, or obey the regulations governing faith and worship which [the Catholics] issued. Conscience is indeed so precious a gift and endowment of God, that in order not to violate it they could not believe or do anything but what they understood to be founded on the Word of God, knowing that they would be held responsible on the Day of Judgment to Him who gave them life and breath.

Now if the most pious of this world had not inwardly taken this chief consideration and comfort for salvation to heart, what could have moved them to endure so many bitter torments and to put their life and property in jeopardy? And what is it that moves the Waldensians even in these days to endure so much wretchedness, grief, and misery, except their conviction that one must obey God rather than men? But just as painful as it is for them to be hindered in faith and coerced in conscience, just so painful is it for our people. And just as little as these and other Protestants can submit to papal law and prescribed forms of worship, so little can we believe and do of what is asked of us, contrary, as we understand it, to the Word of God. And just as devoutly as the Reformed craved freedom of conscience under the Catholic regime—and rightly should have been granted it—just as earnestly do we wish to live according to our conscience under the Reformed. For just as precious as conscience is to them before God, ours is to us.

Actually the effort to coerce conscience and to prescribe laws on how to believe and live is quite ancient in this world, and those who do refuse to keep them or obey them in the fear of God are subjected to humiliation, persecution, confiscation of property, and death.

Therefore many other God-loving persons have had an intense loathing and horror of such persecution as was carried on. And it is clear that many entinent leaders in government and learned scholars have earnestly taken a stand against this violent impulse, knowing well that no one can be made to suffer more severely than to be forced to believe and live contrary to conscience as informed by the holy Word of God. Oh, that all entinent rulers of nations and cities might choose to investigate these crucially important matters more thoroughly! They would find on page 182 of the Proceedings of the Peace Conference that the German princes then declared that "no one can be made a good Christian by force and coercion." And here one may also refer to what Henry III, King of France, said at the end of his life to the people who were standing around him weeping: "Hold this as absolutely true: it is God who implants faith in the heart,

# John Kurtz Family

Submitted by Jonathan Kauffman

#### Sources from Kurtz Decendants

John Kurtz, 1827-1896 — Catherine Shelly, 1830-1887

#### **CHILDREN**

Samuel Kurtz, 1855-1872
Barbara Kurtz, 1856-1872
Catherine Kurtz, 1857-1872
John S. Kurtz, 1859-1927
Elizabeth Kurtz, 1860-1861
Michael Kurtz, 1862-1862
David Kurtz, 1863-1863
Fanny Kurtz, 1864-1865
Jacob Kurtz, 1866-1872
Anna Kurtz, 1868-1872
Joseph Kurtz, 1869-1869
Sarah Kurtz, 1870-1872
Abraham S. Kurtz, 1875-1938
Christian S. Kurtz, 1877-1958

In 1872 John and Catherine (Shelly) Kurtz had 7 living children, 5 had died in infancy. The last two were not born yet.

two were not born yet. On the 25th of July 1872, these children died of diptheria:

Jacob, aged 6 years, 6 months and 14 days.

Anna, aged 4 years, 3 months and 12 days.

Samuel, aged 17 years, 11 months and 23 days.

They died within 6 hours. Jacob and Anna were laid in one coffin all three buried in one grave. The funeral was on the 28th of July.

On the 28th of July, Barbara, aged 16 years, 4 months and 9 days died. In the morning of the 29th Catherine, aged 15 years, 1 month and 23 days died and on the evening of the same day. Sarah died, aged 1 year, 7 months and 1 day. Funeral services for these three children were on the 30th. They were laid in one grave.

Texts for the children were Jeremiah 10: 19-20. "Woe is me for my hurt, my wound is grevious: but I said, Truly this is a grief, and I must bear it.

My tabernacle is spoiled, and all my cords are broken: My children are gone forth of me, and they are not: There is none to stretch forth my tent any more, and to set up my curtains."

And Baruch 4: 19-20 and 23. "Go your way, O my children, go your way: for I am left desolate.

and it cannot be effected by command of men." Also, what the aged Dr. Alardus de Ponte thought and wrote concerning the powers of princes over the unbelieving Saracens, heathen, and Jews (insofar as they live in peace) (*ibid.*, page 157) is worthy of note here: that "no governmental power extends further than to govern secular matters well." Read also what the insightful author, Arctius Catharius, had to say on this subject, and above all what a God-fearing man wrote excellently and extensively

about all these matters to a magistrate (ibid., 167-73). Read also the line of thought (ibid., 192-98) which is so extraordinarily good that it should move all persecutors to ponder seriously how much the more because they are not our words but those of the Reformed themselves—in their distress and suffering from coercion of conscience

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We would indeed have presented much more along this line were it not our intention to produce a mase larger compilation of this material [dealing with religious toleration] and a course of time in order to demonstrate to all the world bow well many high authorities such as emperors, kings, princes, and other regents over territories and peoples have spoken on this subject, adding what famous scholars have written against coercion of conscience, and have landably they have defended freedom [of conscience]. This book, which has for the most part been written and finished, has been prevented from completion by various difficult circumstances.11 Meanwhile it seemed good to let this [Dordrecht] Confession of Faith precede it, and not any longer to delay in meeting the urgent requests of our German friends. And if we find that it would be pleasing to them if we of the Netherlands in this way learn to speak German, we hope through the favor of God Most High to see the larger monograph published soon, in order that we may move all those in high positions of government (whom God has set up over various lands and people) to consider seriously whether it would not be better for their lands and cities and most praiseworthy for themselves to relate to their subjects and inhabitants (who adhere to another creed) in gentleness, mildness, and in a conciliatory spirit; and that they may not allow themselves to be induced by any man to take measures of coercion of conscience, nor prevent their subjects from the exercise of their inward worship-as the Catholics do in their territories against the Reformed and other Protestants, thereby causing them to hold secret services (compelled thereto by conscience), and that for good reasons. If this is contrary to the order of the government under which they live, they are conforming to the example of the apostle who declared, "We ought to obey God rather than men."

From all that has been said we trust that all Reformed governments will agree with as that it would be best for the Catholics freely to permit the Reformed and other Protestants to hold their services quietly—or at least to look the other was.

When all this is seriously considered and weighed in the scales of God's Holy Word, we hope and trust firmly that no one will treat or reign over his subjects in any other way than he would desire that he and

1) When the Mennonites of Pennsylvania had this Confession and Appendic published in English in 1727, they omitted the first several sentences of this paragraph, and modified what followed to indicate that they hoped to learn to speak English, etc.! JCW

might be treated were they living under a government of another faith, i.e., living according to the royal law which instructs us to "do unto others as we would that they should do unto us."

Oh, that all (who heretofore have been too zealous in this matter) would in the future choose to deal so mildly and gently, and bear so pa

I have put off the clothing of peace, and put upon me the sack-cloth of my prayer: I will cry unto the Everlasting in my days.

For I sent you out with mourning and reaping: but God will give you to me again with joy and gladness forever."

The children were buried at the Brick Church, close to Richfield, Juniata County, Pennsylvania.

#### Repentance

German — Spare deine Buse Nicht
Spare your repentance not,
From one year to another.
You know not when you must,
Leave this world and go further.
You must after your death,
Appear before your God.
So think about this now,
Spare your repentance not.

Spare your repentance not,
Until you will be older.
You do not know how soon,
You will be getting older.
How soon the light goes out,
So think about this now.
And you no light have got,
Spare your repentance not.

Spare your repentance not,
Till on your death bed lying.
And break strong chain sins now,
Before for mercy crying.
Think how in deadly fear,
Your breaking heart is brought.
Get rid of sin in time,
Spare your repentance not.

Spare your repentance not,
Though young in years your living.
You like the joy and mirth,
Which this old world is giving.
Young folks are dying too,
Before the judge are brought.
Then change your life in time,
Spare your repentance not.

Spare your repentance not,
Your life will soon be ended.
Do not let Satan's wiles,
You with the world be blended.
For he who here has lived,
In sin before his God.
Must then depart in Hell,
Spare your repentance not.

tiently with their subjects (who hold to a different faith) as our gracious and world-renowned government in these United Netherlands, which extends to us not only exceptionally great freedom, but also its gracious care and protection, thus providing a splendid example for all other governments to follow, that they too might be the recipients of the same honor and praise. Such toleration moves citizens to offer fervent prayers for them to the Lord, that Almighty God would be pleased to pour out His gracious blessings upon their countries, including the peace which men crave, and upon the rulers and their families so that in the end we all—they with us, and we with them—may be kept (after this life of misery and weariness) eternally and be saved out of pure mercy through the shedding of the precious blood and the bitter suffering and death of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. From our hearts we wish this for all in general, and for each in particular, as for ourselves.

Prove all things and hold fast to the good.<sup>12</sup>

To God Alone Be the Glory!<sup>13</sup>

12 Omitted in recent printings of the Appendix in the Ernsthafte Christenpflicht ICW

13 This phrase, in Latin, Soli Deo Gloria, is also often omitted in recent editions. ICW

Spare your repentance not,
Be praying and obeying.
And bring your sins to God,
In true repentance praying.
Repent of all your sins,
Unless you pardon got.
Woe be to your Soul,
Spare your repentance not.

Spare your repentance not,
And change your way of living.
And say that you today,
Your heart to God are giving.
And you then will be blest,
You'll find the peace you sought.
And enter into rest.
Spare your repentance not.

Translated by Bishov Eli J. Bontrager, Shipshe., Ind.

# The History of a Tombstone

On Tuesday evening, April 29, 1980, Mrs. Patty Rhoads of Soudersburg, Penna. was digging in her flower bed when she struck an object she thought might be a cesspool. After uncovering most of it and being unable to pry it up with her shovel she called her husband, and they lifted the object, knocked off the dirt and read the following: Elizabeth, wife of David Renno, born March 18, 1802, died December 17, 1825, aged 23 years, 8 months and 29 days. Mrs Rhoads said it gives you a squeaky feeling to pull up something like that. Is this an old family plot? Were there more burials here?—

The last descendant of hers to bear the name Renno was a great grandson, Samuel Renno who at one time worked for Guss Rodgers of Intercourse, but later moved to California and died there in 1947. Although there are no more descendants with the name Renno there are however hundreds with the names of Smoker, Glick, Stoltzfus, Allgyer, Summers, Riehl and others. Are you one of these? Read on and see. But first let's see where this stone came from and how it got where it was found.

David Renno, son of Joseph and Elizabeth Miller Renno was born October 5, 1786, died April 2, 1878. His obituary in the "Herold of Truth," June 1878 states that the aged brother was of the Amish and had been blind about twenty years, yet we hope his spiritual sight was good. Buried the 5th at Bylers burying ground. Services by Jonathan Kauffman, and Eli Zook from John 11:25,26.

He was married to Elizabeth Givins, born March 18, 1802, died December 17, 1825. Family tradition has it from two sources that Elizabeth Givins was never Amish, but it is said she helped him raise the children Amish. Sadie Mast of West Willow Rest Home has a writing that says that Elizabeth was buried in Soudersburg. Mrs. Elvin Graybill remembers hearing

an ancester say she was buried in a church cemetery. This left many questions and speculations until more research was done. After consulting church, courthouse and personal records and speaking with numerous property owners and direct descendants this was the conclusion. There was an 80 year old man, the only third generation survivor of Mrs. Renno's husband and his second wife, who recalled putting the stone there several decades ago at the exact spot it was discovered in late April. He said he completely forgot about the buried tombstone. Why did the man dig a hole and bury the grave marker of his great grandfather's first wife?

Elizabeth (Givins) Renno was apparently buried in what was then the cemetery of the Methodist Episcopal Church of Soudersburg, first built in 1802, rebuilt in 1872. In the records of T.M. Storb (now Weaver memorials of New Holland) was found the following: September 4, 1808 for David Renno, Gap, Pa. to Elizabeth Renno, marble stone 40 X 12 X 2 inches oval head, 75 letters. \$600. The size and number of letters matched this recently found tombstone exactly. This David Renno was her grandson, a carriage builder in Gap, Penna. and of course he knew where his grandmother was buried and she having been buried 80 some years her marker most likely did need replacing. At the time he ordered the new stone David was 62. He was to die 7 years later.

In 1919 the sole surviving trustees of said Methodist Episcopal Church sold it to the trustees in trust of the Asembly of God, known by some as the Holy Rollers, and at a special meeting held by the congregation of said church on January 12, 1926 it was resolved that the trustees of the church at Soudersburg be duly authorized and empowered to sell the same. Finely in 1933, said trustees sold the property to Martin Denlinger. At that time the cemetery had been sadly neglected for many years and after many years and much hassling with the laws he was finally permited to

remove all the headstones. We don't know exactly what year, but possibly between 1933 and 1950. Denlinger loaded the Elizabeth Renno stone on a wheelbarrow and took it down the hill to where the said 80 year old man lived at that time and said to him, "this is of your ancestory. Do you want it?" he said he didn't know what to do with it. He well remembered seeing the stone in the old part of the Methodist cemetery. Not wanting it around and knowing it would be foolish to put it back in the neglected cemetery, he finely buried it face down where it was recently found and had completly forgotten about it. It is planed to place the stone next to David Renno and his second wife in Beilers Cemetery, near Ronks, Pa.

### Descendants of David Renno and Elizabeth Givins

David Renno married Elizabeth Givins. To this union was born three children:

- 1. Jacob, married Fannie Fisher.
- 2. Elizabeth, married Jonathan Smucker. Jonathan was killed on the railroad.
- 3. John, was married but they had no children, at least none that grew up.

The children of Jacob Renno and Fannie Fisher were:

- 1. Elias married Barbara Glick, among whose descendants are the Reuben Stoltzfus family. A Barbara King, Harristown, B. Sylvia (Beiler) Lapp. mother of Elias Beiler, implement dealer of Musser School Rd., Leola. C. Elias R. Stoltzfus, Limeville and D Sam R. Stoltzfus of Mechanicsville, Md. Also the John M. Beiler family. A. Bishop Christian R. Beiler of Lower Millcreek, dec. B. Barbara married Jonathan Riehl, both dec. Among there children were Elam Riehl, who does antique vehickel restoration. Also Fannie married to Christ King. C. Elias R. Beiler, near Hollow School. D. Sam R. Beiler on the home farm, Dry Hill. E. Reuben Beiler of Strasburg and F. Jacob Beiler of Hatville. Marie Jones of Richmond, California is also a descendant, her father Samuel being Eli's son and the last of these descendants to bear the name Renno. He died in 1947.
- 2. Second child of Jacob and Fannie Renno was: A. Elizabeth married to David B. Smoker, the parents of (Red) Amos Smoker, married to Sallie Esh. Fannie maried Levi Riehl and Mattie married George Summers.
- 3. Third child of Jacob and Fannie Renno was: A. David, married Sarah Wiker, coachmaker at Gap. Among his descendants were Ezra Renno, married Rachel Petersheim. Ezra was killed in a stone quarry. Mary married Joseph H. Blank, the parents of Sadie R. Mast of the West Willow Rest Home.

4. Fourth child of Jacob and Fannie Renno was Susie married David L. Glick, parents of Jacob Glick, married Annie K. Stoltzfus and Annie S. Stoltzfus and grandparents of David W. Glick, Upper Millcreek.

Susan and David were also the parents of old Leah Stoltzfus, the mother of Elam G. Stoltzfus, Lebanon County, Jacob Stoltzfus of Intercourse, better known as little Jake. Abner G. Stoltzfus, minister at Maple Grove, Reuben G. Stoltzfus, maytag dealer at 176

Sadsburyville, Annie married Levi Smóker, Lydia married Dea. Eli B. Smucker of Lower Millcreek.

- 4. Susie married the second time to David Beiler. They were the parents of John R. Beiler married Lydia Stoltzfus, and the grandparents of Christ S. Beiler of Intercourse.
- 5. The fifth child of Jacob and Fannie Renno was Leah married to John L. Glick. They were the parents of Bishop Aaron R. Glick, of lower Pequea. David R. Glick, father of the Glick boys of upper Millcreek. John R. Glick married Susan Lapp, of Millcreek. Amos R. Glick married Fannie Stoltzfus upper Millcreek. Elam R. Glick married Barbara Stoltzfus. Parents of David I. Glick, Smoketown and John Glick White Horse, recently moved to Madisonburg, Brush Valley.
  - 6. Sixth child Christian died Young.
- 7. Seventh child of Jacob and Fannie Renno was Fannie married John S. Blank. Parents of Jacob Blank Married Kathryn Stoltzfus of Monterey. Mary married Ezra Zook of Talmage. Better known as Maud Zook. Daniel S. Plank married Marion Burkholder, New Holland.
- 8. Eighth child of Jacob and Fannie Renno was Sarah married Eli Riehl. Their daughter Fannie married Michael Stoltzfus, was coach maker at Bareville. Sarah married as her second husband David Y. Renno. Father of Bishop John B. Renno of Belleville, Mifflin County Pa. This David was the son of Pre David Renno Juniata County married Rachel Yoder. Pre David is believed to be the son of John Renno brother to Blind David Renno of Soudersburg.

### Descendents of David Renno married Elizabeth Reichanbach

To this union was born one daughter Barbara married to Joshua Smoker. Their oldest child to reach adulthood was Daniel married Elizabeth Beiler. Their children were-Fannie married Christian Engle. Samuel married Saloma Stoltzfus. Daniel married Hilda B. Stoltzfus. Malinda married Henry M. Stoltzfus. Getrude married Christ King brother of Sol King Ridge Rd. Gordonville & King sisters of Irishtown R. green houses. Next child of Joshua and Barbara Smoker was Joel married to Lydia Kauffman. Parents of Elam Smoker formerly of Saudersburg. Next child of Joshua and Barbara Smoker was David married Lydia M. Stoltzfus. The parents of John married Emma Zook. Sarah (Thrasher) John S. Stoltzfus. Reuben married Anna Lapp. Joshua married Hanna Beiler. David married Mary Kauffman. Mary married Daniel Kauffman. Isaac married Fannie Kauffman. Levi married Annie M. Stoltzfus and Sadie Glick. Abner married Fannie E. Fisher.

#### Elizabeth Reichanbach—Jacob Yoder

Elizabeth wife of David Renno was first married to Jacob Yoder. They were the parents of Caroline married Samuel King. The grandparents of Moses King married to Savilla King, who lives north of Strasburg. Sarah the daughter of Samuel King and Caroline Yoder was married to Benjamin Allgyer. The ancestor of all the Allgyers of Lancaster County.

#### THE SPEICHER-SPYKER-SPICHER FAMILY

#### CONTINUED FROM LAST MONTH

The second surviving child of Christian and Barbara (Lehman) Stutzman of family No. 214 (see March 1980 Diary is (279) Abraham Stutzman (214) born 1817, Berlin, Somerset County, Penna., died 1853, married to Polly Schrock. They had several children who were affiliated with the Dunkard and Mennonite churches.

- 1. Jacob Stutzman, born 1842 in Somerset County married to Mary Miller, Reformed church.
- 2. Magdalena Stutzman married George Noon.
- 3. John Stutzman, born 1845 in Somerset County, married to Sarah Miller.
- 4. Peter Stutzman, married Barbara Hostetler.
- 5. Abraham Stutzman, born 1849, married —— Baltzer.
- 6. Christian Stutzman, born 1851, married Phoebe Miller.
- 7. Daniel Stutzman, born 1853, died in childhood.

The third child of Christian and Barbara (Lehman) Stutzman is (280) Christian Stutzman (214) born 1820 lived and died at Hubbard, Oregon.

The fourth child of Christian and Barbara (Lehman) Stutzman is (281) Elizabeth Stutzman (214) born 1822 in Somerset County, married George Johnson. They were not Amish.

The second child of John and Anna (Speicher) Stutzman of family number (213) of the March issue of the Diary is (282) David Stutzman (213) born 1791, in Somerset County, married to Catharine Schrock born 1790 in Somerset County, daughter of Casper and Mary (Stuckey) Schrock. They were of the Amish faith and had ten children namely:

- 1. Elizabeth Stutzman, married Michael Honderich.
- 2. Magdalena Stutzman, married Christian Swartzentruber.
- 3. Fanny Stutzman, married Jacob Nofziger.
- 4. Moses Stutzman, married Elizabeth Bohler.
- 5. Lydia Stutzman, married Joel Smucker.
- 6. Anna Stutzman, died single.
- 7. John Stutzman, married Lydia Blough.
- 8. Joseph Stutzman, married Mary Frey of Ohio.
- 9. Samuel Stutzman, married Elizabeth Goohart of Smithville, Ohio.
- 10. Abraham Stutzman, married Katie Aschleman of Wauseon, Ohio.

What we would like to bring out about this family that they were of the Amish faith and most of them settled in Davis County, Iowa, in the vicinity of Pulaski and Bloomfield and were led by Bishop Philip Roulet who was ordained to the ministry before arriving in this country. Philip Roulet was married to Fanny Honderich, a daughter of Michael and Elizabeth (Stutzman) Honderich who had at one time lived at Goshen, Indiana. Other family names of Davis County at that time under Philip Roulet and also those

intermarried in the Abraham Stutzman family were Eash a Swiss family, Nofziger, Swartzentruber, Boler, Roth, Sharp, Kropf, Waglers, Plank, Augsberger, Kinsinger, Bloughs and Baughman and some others from Butler County, Ohio. There were about fifty families living there by 1860 and were under the support of Bishop Jacob Swartzentruber of Johnson County, Iowa. But it seemed these later immigrants could not agree on church doctrines so Bishop Swartzentruber was no longer willing to give his assistance. This Davis County group then appealed for help from Bishop Isaac Smucker from Indiana and were later affiliated with the Western Conference Mennonite Churches. There was one Lancaster County youth who became affiliated with this early group of Davis County, Iowa people and that was Mose Stoltzfus, son of Preacher Jacob Stoltzfus. He died there a few days before his marriage to peasant Ann Plank (see history of the Pulaski, Iowa church and a Lancaster County boy who died there in 1877 by Elam B. Stoltzfoos).

The next child of John and Anna (Speicer) Stutzman was (283) Catherine Stutzman (213) born 1793, in Somerset County, died 1879 married to Daniel Eash, son of Bishop Jacob Eash of Somerset County. They had six children, mostly in LaGrange County, Indiana.

- 1. Henry Eash married Elizabeth Heckman. They were with the Old Order Dunkard.
- 2. Susanna Eash, married to Joseph J. Yoder.
- 3. Annie Eash, married to Christian J. Yoder.
- 4. Moses D. Eash, married Polly Wengard.
- 5. John Eash, born 1833, died 1854 at twenty years of age.
- 6. Tobias Eash, born 1814, died 1840.

(284) Susan Eash (283) born Sept. 14, 1822, married to Joseph J. Yoder, born 1825, in Somerset County, son of Joseph and Maria Yoder. There were eight children born to this union. The three oldest were born in Conemaugh Township, Somerset County and the rest in Newbury Township, LaGrange County. Joseph J. Yoder married second time to Elizabeth Blough, widow of Jacob J. Hostetler.

- 1. Tobias Yoder, born 1849, died same year.
- 2. Daniel J. Yoder, married Louise Miller.
- 3. Elizabeth Yoder, married Reuben E. Bontrager.
- 4. Polly Yoder, born 1854.
- 5. Catherine Yoder, born 1856, died 1860.
- 6. Abner Yoder, married Susan E. Eash.
- 7. Levi D. Yoder, married Mary Jane Eash.
- 8. Lena Yoder, married Josiah Mishler.

(285) Daniel J. Yoder (284) born 1850 married to Lousie Miller, daughter of Bendict and Rachel (Mast) Miller and moved to Hubard, Oregon and are not affiliated with the Amish or Mennonite churches.

(286) Elizabeth Yoder (284) born 1852, in Somerset County, died 1934, in LaGrange County, married to Reuben E. Bontrager, born 1852 in Elkhart County, son of Joseph and Barbara (Yoder) Bontrager. There is a very good register of the Reuben E. Bontrager family compiled by Lester F. Graber of Beebe, Arkansas in 1979 and will only mention a few of the family. Most of the family are Amish and are widely scattered through out the western states.

(287) Anna R. Bontrager (286) born 1873 in LaGrange County, married to David S. Schrock, son of Samuel and Rebecca Schrock. They had two daughters, the oldest named Polly Schrock, married to Daniel J. Eash. Their son Freeman Eash married Waneta Miller of Shipshewana, Indiana. The other daughter was (288) Lizzie Schrock (286) married to Malon Hostetler, son of David and Leah (Lambright) Hostetler. They have thirteen children mostly around Topeka and Shipshewana, Indiana.

(289) Joseph R. Bontrager (286) born 1875 in LaGrange County, married to Mattie Schlabach, daughter of Joseph and Fannie (Troyer) Schlabach. They had nine children, the oldest daughter (290) Fannie J. Bontrager (289) married to Jacob J. Gingerich who was ordained a Deacon in 1916 and died in 1968. Jacob J. Gingerich was first married to Anna Schrock and had lived for a few years in Colorado. A daughter, Elizabeth Gingerich married to Leory L. Miller and was ordained to the ministry in 1977.

(291) David J. Bontrager (298) born 1901, married to Mattie Hostetler. He was ordained a minister in the Honeyville District in 1934 and Bishop in 1941. Their daughter, Alice Bontrager, is married to Clarence

Bontrager who is a deacon at Topeka.

(292) Samuel J. Bontrager (289) born 1902, married to Fannie I. Schrock. She died in 1953, leaving her husband and thirteen children. Then on the evening of December 6, 1961 the father Samuel J. Bontrager took five of his daughters to a German spelling class and on their return they were hit by a speeding car demolishing the buggy and killed Samuel, the father, instantly and one girl, Viola, died the next day. We will mention three of their children, Wilma Bontrager, married Daniel J. Lambright. He was ordained minister in 1969. Anna Bontrager, married Ezra E. Miller. He was ordained minister in LaGrange County in 1974. Ida Mae Bontrager, married to Perry J. Lehman. He was ordained a deacon in 1978 at Topeka. Elmer Bontrager was killed in a truck accident in 1969.

(293) William Bontrager (289) born 1904, married to Ada Miller of LaGrange County, Indiana. They had nine children, the oldest Elmer W. Bontrager, married to Ida Bontrager and was ordained a minister in 1960

and are living at Clark, Missouri.

(294) Amanda Bontrager (289) married to William A. Yoder. He was ordained a minister in 1936 and Bishop in 1955 at Route 2 Topeka, Indiana. Their daughter, Mattie Yoder, married to Joe E. Troyer who was ordained a minister in 1974. Another daughter, Lydia W. Yoder, married John E. Troyer. He was ordained minister in 1978. A son, Abraham W. Yoder, married to Mary Jane Bontrager and live at Mendon, Michigan.

(295) Elizabeth J. Bontrager (289) married first to Daniel D. Bontrager who in 1930 at twenty five years of age, Elizabeth married second to William D. Yoder, a daughter Mattie Yoder married to Ezra Graber who was ordained Deacon in 1978 in LaGrange County.

(296) Polly J. Bontrager (289) born 1910, married to Rudy M. Hershberger. He was ordained minister in 1957 and a son Alvin Hershberger was ordained a 178 minister at Middlebury, Indiana in 1978.

(297) Mattie J. Bontrager (289) married to Clemence J. Miller who was born in Custer County, Oklahoma in 1915. He was ordained minister in 1954 and Bishop in 1961 in LaGrange County.

(298) Daniel J. Bontrager born 1918, married to Mary R. Bontrager. He was ordained minister in 1946 and Bishop in 1948 at Wolcottville and also has a son Reuben ordained in 1975. They also have a son Samuel

D. Bontrager living at Rome City, Indiana.

Another son of Reuben E. and Elizabeth (Yoder) Bontrager is (299) Daniel R. Bontrager (286) born 1876, married Amelia Wingard. She died in 1908 at 28 years of age leaving two children, Elizabeth and Anna, Daniel R. then married to Gertrude Eash, daughter of Tobias and Salome (Garver) Eash from which there were born two more children, Abraham D. Bontrager who was the youngest and was ordained a Deacon in

1952 and at Middleburg, Indiana in 1975.

Another child of Joseph R. was (300) Polly Bontrager (286) born 1880, married to William Miller, son of Manasses and Annie (Miller) Miller. Their oldest daughter (301) Elizabeth Miller (300) born 1901, married to Owen Hostetler, son of David and Leah (Lambright) Hostetler. They were well known through out Lancaster County. Their oldest daughter Katie Hostetler is married to Perry E. Glick who with their family live at Ridgeway in Hardin, Ohio, A daughter Nettie Hostetler is married to Harvey Lambright who was ordained minister in 1969 as well as their son Elva H. Lambright who was ordained in 1978. A daughter Mary O. Hostetler, married to Daniel E. Bontrager who was ordained minister in 1959 and their son, Glen, is is also a minister at Shipshewana. There are also several more of this family in Hardin County, Ohio.

(302) Samuel W. Miller (300) born 1902, married to Lovina Stauffer, daughter of Christian C. and Mary (Eicher) Stauffer. He was ordained a minister in 1957 at Topeka, Indiana. They had nine children. There is a large offspring of this family, mostly living in Indiana.

(303) David W. Miller (300) married to Mattie

Miller. They live in Sarasota, Florida.

(304) Amanda Miller (300) married Perry Lehman, born 1904, son of Joseph and Mary Ann (Mast)

Lehman of LaGrange County, Indiana.

(305) Amelia W. Miller born 1906, narried to Edward Slabach, son of Abner and Mattie (Rover ger) Slabach. A daughter Mary Ellen Slabach, may deto Harley E. Bontrager. He was ordained min thin 1963. They moved to St. Joseph County, Michigan and later back to LaGrange County, Indiana where not of their family live to day.

(306) Anna W. vi ie. (300) married to Will Miller. They are living around Middlebury, Ind ar

(307) Nettie W. Mill r toon 191, married to Levi M. Mast, son of Mose and Mary (Yode:) Mast. Fe was ordained minister in 1947 and bishop in 1975 at Topeka, Indiana. Their daughter, Freda Marlene was first married to Monroe S. Miller who died in 1964. She married her second husband, Amos P. Yoder, who was ordained a minister in 1960 and are now living at Hicksville, Ohio.

(308) Wilma W. Miller (300) married to Ervin R. Bontrager, son of Reuben and Lizzie Ann (Lehman) Bontrager. He was ordained minister in 1951 and bishop in 1952 at Shipshewana, Indiana. Their oldest son, William E. Bontrager was ordained a minister in 1973 in LaGrange County.

The next child of Reuben E. and Elizabeth (Yoder) Bontrager is (309) David R. Bontrager (286) born 1888 at Middlebury, Indiana, married to Lydia M. Christner. They had six children. (310) Amanda Bontrager (309) married to Noah J. Raber. He died in 1934 and she in 1936. They had one child, Lydia Raber who married to Ervin D. Hostetler. (311) Levi D. Bontrager (309) born 1914, married Elizabeth Schlabach, Millersburg. (312) Amos D. Bontrager (309) married first to Esthes Eash, daughter of John H. and Ida (Beachy) Eash. He married second to Bertha Yoder, daughter of Henry and Esther (Beechy) Yoder who died in 1979. One of their daughters, Fannie Bontrager, married to Perry Lehman. He was ordained minister in 1975.

(313) Elizabeth D. Bontrager (309) born 1918, married to Joseph E. Frey, son of Daniel M. and Elizabeth (Miller) Frey of Millersburg. Their children

are mostly in LaGrange County, Indiana.

(314) Katie W. Bontrager (309) married to Daniel M. Beechy, born 1917, son of Manelius A. and Fannie (Yoder) Beechy. They have twelve children and are all

living in Hardin County, Ohio.

The next child of Reuben and Elizabeth (Yoder) Bontrager is (315) Abraham R. Bontrager (286) born 1890, died 1918 at twenty eight years of age, married to Susie Christner, leaving four children. Susie married her second husband, Menno J. S. Yoder. The oldest child (316) Amelia Bontrager (315) born 1912, married to Joseph J. Miller. This was his second marriage. Their was one child born to this marriage named Edna Ellen Miller, married to Melvin E. Schrock. He was ordained a minister in 1969 in LaGrange County. (317) Amos A. Bontrager (315) born 1913, married to Sarah Edna Schrock. They have five children in LaGrange County. (318) Harley Bontrager (315) born 1915, married to Mary D. Miller, daughter of Daniel J. and Anna (Nisley) Miller. (319) Abraham A. Bontrager (315) born 1919. About four months after his father had died he married to Mary Ellen Frey, daughter of Daniel and Elizabeth (Miller) Frey, and are living in LaGrange County. They had a family of eleven, several who have died. They have made several trips to Lancaster County, in the past years. Their daughter Anna Marie Bontrager married to Delbert J. Mast who was ordained to the ministry in 1968 in LaGrange County.

(320) Levi R. Bontrager (286) born 1893, married to Annie M. Christner, daughter of John M. and Mary (Miller) Christner. They had two children, Edna Bontrager married to Daniel L. Weaver and David

Bontrager married ot Susie Miller.

(321) Edward R. Bontrager (286) born 1896, married to Mable Hostetler, daughter of David and Leah (Lambright) Hostetler. They had eight children three of who died young. Edward married his second wife, Amanda Mullet. A daughter of this family named Laura E. Bontrager, married to Ivan Schmucker, son of

Levi and Susie (Hershberger) Schmucker live at Coldwater, Michigan and their son, LaVerne I. Schmucker married to Barbara D. Bontrager, in Hohenwald, Tennessee, daughter of David and Mary (Borntrager) Borntrager. They compiled a very good register of the Reuben E. Bontrager family and live at Searcy, Arkansas.

Next of the children of Joseph and Susan Eash of No. (284) is (322) Abner F. Yoder (284) born in LaGrange County, Indiana in 1858 married to Susan E. Eash, daughter of Levi and Mary (Yoder) Eash. They had six children and were in northern Indiana, Oregon

and scattered through the western states.

(323) Levi D. Yoder (284) also born in LaGrange County in 1861 married to Mary Jane Eash a sister to his brother Abner's wife. Their children also were of Northern Indiana and a few moved to Oregon and other points of the west coast.

(324) Lena Yoder (284) born 1862, married to Josiah Mishler who was born in Howard County, Indiana, son of Benjamin and Barbara (Frey) Mishler most of their

children moved to Oregon.

The next child of Daniel and Catherine (Stutzman) Eash is (325) Annie Eash (283) born 1825, in Somerset County, died 1885, near Middlebury, Indiana married to Christian J. Yoder, born 1824 in Somerset County, son of Henry Yoder. To them were born three children in Somerset County three in Indiana. In 1852 Christian J. Yoder wife and three children and Henry Eash. His wife and family moved to LaGrange County with four wagons. They encountered many bad roads and were on the way four weeks. Arriving in Indiana Christian Yoder settled on a farm now known as the Christian Yoder farm at the Forks. Sarah the youngest daughter got the farm and then her son William Yoder after her. To them were born six children.

1. Katie Yoder, married to Eli or Elias D. Troyer.

2. Polly Yoder, married to David J. Miller.

3. Elizabeth Yoder, married to Moses C. Miller.

4. Lydia Yoder, married Joseph C. Schrock.

5. Sarah Yoder, married to David J. Yoder.

6. Infant born and died 1853.

(326) Katie Yoder (325) born 1845, in Somerset County, married to Eli or Elias D. Troyer born 1838 in Holmes County, Ohio, son of David Troyer. They lived at Middlebury, Indiana but had formily lived at Conway Springs in Sumner County, Kansas where some of their children were born.

(327) Annie Troyer (326) born 1866, married to Levi M. Miller, born 1867, son of Manassees and Anna (Miller) Miller. Their children were (328) Katie Miller (327) born 1889, married to Jacob R. Miller, son of Daniel and Mary (Raber) Miller. They lived near Middlebury, Indiana. They had nine married children a son Samuel J. R. Miller, married to Mable Schlabach was ordained minister in 1964 and bishop in 1971. Their son Ora Miller was ordained minister in 1974 at Wolcottville, Indiana. (329) Lizzie Ann Miller (327) born 1891, married to Levi E. Miller, son of Emanuel and Annie (Schlabach) Miller. They lived in LaGrange County, Indiana. (330) Polly Miller (327) born 1893, married to Andrew L. Bontrager, Middlebury, Indiana. continued on page 23

# Our Fatherland in America

#### The Ebersol Family

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The Ebersol family to proginate our present day Ebersol, came to America with the first wave of later immigrants. Since they are not listed among the early

German immigrant shiplists we do not know exactly when they came. From a Neuhauser family account we assume that they lived in Canada in 1829. (See page 192 of 1972 Diary or the appendix in Georg Petersheim Family History). We have no accounts of this pioneer Ebersol family living in eastern Pennsylvania, but it is likely that they did at least temperarily, because his son Christian was settled with a family on a 66 acre farm in Leacock Township already in 1838.

Christian Jr. was never listed on Canadian census records.

Christian, our senior Ebersol immigrant first appears on Canadian land transactions. A tract of 54 acres was patented to him by the crown on August 24, 1835. On April 1, 1840 another purchase of 65 acres was made from Christian Ernst and another tract of 60 acres was purchased from University of Toronto on April 9, 1856. According to the bill of sale the tracts were located in Wilmot Township, on Snyder Street, or today route # 7-8. This is the road that runs east from New Hamburg, through Baden, straightway through the center of Wilmot Township into Kitchner. According to the Platt map the Christian Ernst Plot was in the near east end of Wilmot Township. Adjoining Plots were those of Christian Mayer, Christian Erb, John Moyer, and John Gingerich. This was likely the place of the Ebersol homestead on the north side of Snyder Street.

Information from Waterloo County court records supplied by Lorraine Roth.

Another source of information, concerning our pioneer Ebersol family is furnished on 1851 and 1861 census records, supplied by Lorraine Roth, Kitchner, Ontario. These are of great need to complete this family history.

The 1861 census gives the most information. Christian Ebersol, a Mennonite (Amish) was born in France and is 73 years old. This does not, however, quite agree with a family document which reads that Christian Ebersol, my grandfather, died Marcy 15, 1862, age 72 years and 24 days. Next on the census is Magdalena, also born in France, age 60 years. It is clear that this Magdelena was the wife of Christian by second marriage. His first wife was Susanna Zwalder, daughter of bishop Christian Zwalder of France. Magdelena Zwalder was the oldest of eight daughters of Bishop Zwalder, was married to Christian Neuhaus er, and was the mother of the Neuhauser boys who settled in Lancaster County just before 1830. Two other daughters of Bishop Zwalder lived in Canada, one married to a Gascho and one to a Burki. It is unknown at this time who Magdelena, the second wife of Christian Ebersol was. Susanna, 1st wife of Christian, died in 1849.

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#### The Keim Family

While the "Old Order" Keim family is mostly found to reside in Holmes County and vicinity, Ohio, they are not at all confined to that area. Even in Holmes County, where they are, by far, the most popular they are considered a minor group compared to many other family names.

According to the 1973 major western directories there are 44 families listed by that name, only one of these in LaGrange County, Indiana. In populance they will fall after the Stutzman family, but lead before the Lehmans.

This family does not exist in "east of the Susquehanna" districts and are barely found east of the Ohio-Pennsylvania line. The heart of the Keim family is in Holmes County, Ohio.

In the last quarter century the family has spread to Ashland and Medina County, Ohio where they are a fast growing family. Many desirable talents from good reasoning minds and able bodies character can be detected in these families, all along the line, which likely progress from the "great patriarch" Nickolas Keim, who lived and died in Somerset County, Pennsylvania. Nickolas, in his lifetime, was married three times and according to one note of family history he had eight children to each wife or a total of 24 children. Other accounts, however say that he had 23 children. An accurate account may follow in this column later on.

Our Keim family, however descends from a strong German reformed family in Berks County, Penna. From public directories we find that 68 Keim families are living in Berks County today, 30 of these reside in the city of Reading. In spite of the fact that our Keim family first settled in Chester County, Pennsylvania, that current directory lists only 15 families.

From the paternal lines of Nickolas Keim who adhered to the Amish faith, many staunch laymembers and some ministers have followed. The 1893 Funks' Ministers' list gives David Keim who was ordained in the Conemaugh Amish district. During the 1870's that whole congregation followed the Mennonite movement. Leander Keim, born in 1877, in Holmes County, Ohio and moved to Haven, Kansas early. At the age of 22 he was ordained to the ministry in 1899 and bishop in 1931. He was a widely known bishop, with deep knowledge to scripture, firm principles in discipline he was a pillar to his followers. He died at the ripe age of 92 on February 11, 1969. Many of his descendants live in the Haven, Kansas area.

Raber's Almanac lists three ordained men by that name, all in Ohio.

Like usual, the maternal line descendants extend much further in Old Order districts. Perhaps all of the Amish Weavers descend from Elizabeth, the oldest daughter of Nicholas. Other daughters of Nicholas Keim were married to Stephen Yoder, Henry C. Yoder, Michael Yoder, Moses Bitschy, Joseph D. Miller, Jeremiah Miller all of Somerset County. So we can see that many of our Miller and Yoder lines may carry progeny of this Keim family.

#### The Keims in Europe

While this family name is almost absent in the era of most active Anabaptist and Mennonite history in Europe, there is one account of a Keim martyred for his faith, that is of extreme interest. This account is written in the Hutterite chronicle. In the year 1546, there were four brethren, namely Hannes Staudach, Anthoni Keim, a tailor of Guntzenhausen. Blasv Beck and Leonhart Schneider, the last two from Kauffbeurn. While they were going to church, with wife and children, they were seized in Austria and on the third of August they were led to Wienn. They were bound in chains on their feet by pair of two and two, in this way were led on the streets through the city with the women and children following. Thus they were led to prison and allowed the women and children to be with them, before the King came to the city. For four days they were investigated on trial concerning their faith to which they remained steadfast. After four days the four brethren were confined to private cells and were threatened, regarding their wives and children. In the meantime the women and children were released and went back to their community.

The four brethren were afterwards led before pastors and doctors of Munich, who laid before them many false doctrines by which they tried to move them from their faith, like ravening wolves, says the writer. But those who are inherent to the flock of Lambs of Jesus Christ, is no one able to pluck out of our Father's hand.

Afterwards the King's mandate was read to them which moved them less. They were threatened by water, fire and sword but they remained steadfast in faith. They were led out to the water during the night. where another prisoner, Oswald von Jamnitz was drowned before their eyes. That they did not recant they were now put in seperate cells. After Saint Marthins Day, on the 22nd November they were sentenced to the hangman and were led out early in the morning before many people were on the streets. As they were led to the slaughter bench they began to sing enfreshened and cheerful. It was a costum for the executioner to make a ring befor the altar. The four brethren knelt down to this ring and prayed. This caused the executioner to become sad, with a heavy conscious he was reluctant to fullfil his duty which he had taken an oath to. Like a child of Pilate he sought to be innocent in his crime, but because he must be loyal to the King he must do it.

The youngest brother was taken to stake first. He blessed and comforted the rest from his heart. Likewise were the four brethren beheaded for the sake of the Lord Jesus Christ.

These brethren were followers of Jacob Hutter who are listed in Martyrs Mirrow and died for the same faith as our branch of Anabaptists. The Brethren of Thessalonia, who visited them before the Swiss Brethren, stated that the two sects differed in two points of articles in faith. The account of Anthoni Keim is also given in Martyrs Mirrow, page 475. (Scottdale, 1951). This account is almost indentical with the one in the Hutterite chronicle except that the name is spelled Keyn.

The only other found in general Anabaptist history is Karl Theodor Keim, near Stuttgart, Germany. He himself was not an Anabaptist, but was diligent in Anabaptist history studies. As a German research scholar in church history, he wrote; Reformation der Reichstadt Ulm, 1851, Schwabische Reformation geschichte bis zum Augsberger Reichstag, 1855, and Reformationsblatter der Reichstadt Esslingen, 1855. [Mennonitisches Lexicon, vol. 2, page 478].

#### The Keims in America

The first trace of our Keim family is John Keim, who was born in Oley, Township, Berks County, Pennsylvania. We do not know if immigrant Jacob Keim, on Strassburger-Hinke shiplist 47A is his father, but it is suspected by some that he was. Jacob came to America in 1737.

John Keim settled at Harmonyville, Chester County, Pennsylvania which is about all that is known about him. His son, Peter Keim was born in 1741, who is the father of Nicholas Keim our pregenitor. Although the Barbara Hostedler-Christian Stutzman family history, by Rev. Harvey Hostetler, states that Nicholas was born in Berks County, Pennsylvania, neither he nor his father appear on Berks Co. tax lists. A George Keim is, however, consistantly listed as a blacksmith in Oley Township from 1767 to 1782. He is very likely a brother to Nicholas.

Peter Keim first appears in our Fatherland territory on Heidelberg Township, Dauphin County, tax returns in 1787. Heidelberg Township is just accross the border from Berks County. The tax document also says "no return" which means that he had little valuation and had not paid his tax. In this case he may have lived close to the border and was occaisonally over looked since he had little assessment. It could also show that he had at times lived in Berks County with little or no property he does not show up on tax lists. And again since he lived close to the border an old family account could say that he lived in Berks County.

Since Peter Keim does not appear again, at least not for 12 years, it is all the more appearant that he may have lived in mountain country of Heidelberg Township, perhaps inconvienient to reach with little assett, he was more than once, bypassed by the assessor. On the other hand it may indicate that he moved around a lot.

While this early Keim family is most likely to have been "German Reformed," it becomes clear that Peter Keim already came in contact with the Amish soriety in Berks County, by marriages of his children. Jacob was married to a Wagner which was a strong German Reformed family in the Hamburg—Sharlett-ville area. George was married to a Berkey, perhaps of the German Reformed Berkeys in Oley Township. Samuel was married to Anna Blough, which indicates Amish social ties in Lebanon Valley. Mary was married to a Yoder which too, was a Berks County—Amish name. Little more is known of the Peter Keim family. We do, however have a family record of Peter supplied by Dr. Huge Gingerich.

Nicholas Keim, born in 1768, died in Somerset County, Pennsylviana in 1830. I marriage to Veronica Stutzman, II marriage to Veronica Hostetler, III marriage to Catherine Eash.

Jacob, born in Berks County, 1769, died 1890. He was married to Barbara Wagner.

George, born in Berks County, married to Veronica

John. -

Samuel born in Berks County, married Anna Blough, died in Somerset County.

Mary born in Berks Co. married to Jacob Yoder

Peter born 1711, in Berks County married Mary Folk, died 1870 in Elkhart County, Indiana.

Elizabeth born in Berks County married to a Fetters.

Nicholas Keim I marriage to

ivicuotas Reim I marriage to

Veronica Stutzman DBH#12445

- 1. Elizabeth, born 1790, in Somerset County, died in Holmes County, Ohio, 1860, married to Samuel Weaver.
- 2. John, born 1792, in Somerset County, died in same County 1877, married to Barbara Livengood.

3.A Son -

- 4. Jacob born 1798 in Somerset County died 1879 in said county, married to Christina Saylor (Seiler).
- 5. Daniel born 1800 in Somerset County, died 1866. Married to Elizebeth Beachy.
- 6. Jonas born 1803 in Somerset County died 1865 in said county, married Sarah Livingood.
- 7. Solomon born 1804, in Somerset County, died 1853 in Holmes County, Ohio, married to Elizebeth Hochstetler.

II marriage to Veronica Hosteller DJH#2245

- 8. Susanna born 1809 in Somerset County died 1876 in LaGrange County, Indiana married to Stephen Yoder
- 9. Moses born 1810 in Somerset County died 1884 in Stark County, Ohio married to Lydia Domer.
- 10. Christina born 1812, in Somerset County, died 1873, married to Jacob Raub.
- 11. Nicholas, born 1812, in Somerset County, died 1866 in said county, married to Susanna Livingood.
- 12. Jeremiah, born 1814 in Somerset County, died 1847, married to a Glotfelty.

13. Samuel born, 1815, died single 1838.

- 14. Emanuel N. born 1816, in Somerset County, died 1889 in Elkhart County, Indiana, married to Magdelena Gerber.
- 15. Mary born 1819 in Somerset County, died 1880 in Elkhart County, Indiana, married to Henry C. Yoder.
- 16. Veronica born 1821 in Somerset County, died 1896 in Holmes County, Ohio, married to Catherine Hostetler.

III marriage to Catherine Eash

- 17. Barbara 1822 in Somerset County died 1880 in said county married to Moses Bitsche.
- 18. Christian born 1823 in Somerset County, died 1904 in Holmed County, Ohio, married to Magdelena Farmwalt.
- 19. Catherine born 1824 in Somerset County died 1867 in Holmes County, Ohio. I marriage to Joseph P. Miller, II marriage to Jeremiah Miller.
- 20. Joseph N. born 1826 in Somerset County, died 1872 married to Leah Hersberger.
- 21. Benjamin, born 1830, in Somerset County died 1927, married to Susanna Miller. (Note that the youngest child was born when Nicholas had reached the age of 62, truly a patriarch.



The third subject on the census is Magdelena Ebersohl who was 45 in 1861. She is likely a daughter of Christian and Susanna. She was born in France.

Another subject is Joseph Ebersohl, 95 in 1851, was possibly the father of Christian. He was born in France. Another Joseph Ebersohl is listed in 1861, 59 years old, born in France, was likely a relative of Christian. A note on the 1871 census says that he was deaf and dumb.

Jacob Albrecht is listed as a day labourer in the family, is 59 years old and born in France.

Minnie Harryfeld is 13 years old, a labourer, and born in Canada. She is Lutheran. All the rest are Mennonite (Amish).

The third source, likely the most informative concerning the Ebersol family, is the will of Christian Ebersol, also supplied by Lorrceine Roth. In his will he names his wife Magdalena and provides well for her. Special mention is made of Susanna, his youngest daughter. Susanna is not given on neither 1851 nor 1861 census records. Which indicates that she was away from home and perhaps married.

On the 2nd paragraph of his will he lists all his children, namely, Magdelena, John, Catherine, Christian and Susanna. He names Johannes Schwartzentruber, his son-in-law and John Gascho as executors.

Now that Johannes Schwartzentruber was married to a daughter, he was the husband of Catherine or Susanna as Magdelena is listed at home on census records. Who the remaining daughter was married to is unknown at this time. Christian Jr. appears on legal documents in Canada in 1862 and 1863.the will was probated on March 20, 1862, signed by Christian Jr. again in 1863 his name appears as executive of the widow ok Christian Ebersol Sn.

John, the oldest son of the family fails to appear in this range of records. It is possible that he was married before the elder Ebersols immigrated to America and remained in Europe. It is not likely that he lived in Canada at the time of his fathers death because Christian Jr. was called from Penna. to administrate to the elders proceeds. If he lived in America at all, it was likely in a western settlement.

It is rather spectular when Christian Jr. came to America or to Lancaster County. He first appears on Leacock Township tax returns in 1838. He is then salready married to Elizebeth Stoltzfus, with one child and lives on a 66 acre farm. Why he is absent on tax lists before that is a question. He did not all at once come to Lancaster County with a wife and child on a 66 acre farm.

It could be suggested that he came with his Neuhauser cousins in 1827 or 1829, although he was most too young at those dates another perspective is that he came with Michael Swartz in 1832 who came from France.

The farm where Christian Ebersol Jr. settled on and also where he died, is on the north banks of Mill Creek, in now Upper Leacock Township, on Musser School road where Reuben Lantz now lives.

The family is listed in the Fisher family history number 2820. Barbara was an unmarried daughter who done much of the fractur art, shown on last month cover. Sarah was also gifted to this art. She was married to John P. King, Strasburg, Pennsulviana.



### The History of a Tombstone — continued from page 16

#### To All Descendants

It has been desided to put new markers at the graves of David and his second wife Elizabeth. Hers can hardly be read anymore, both have very little information. The old ones would be left there.\* Estimated cost \$200.00 to \$250.00. A fund has been started, all descendants and other interested persons may send contributions to Renno Fund, %Elam B. Riehl, P.O. Box 164, Gap, Pa. 17527. Also Sam R. Beiler or the writer, Abner Beiler.

\* Our fathers did not neglect their duty to keep the graves of their family well marked. Let us follow the faith of our fathers, and let us be generous enough to keep afore mentioned graves well marked so they may not be lost to our descendants.

### Memories of the Past — continued from page 20

(331) Lydia Miller (327) born 1895, married to David K. Bontrager, son of John E. and Barbara (Mishler)

Bontrager of LaGrange County.

(332) Christian E. Troyer (326) born 1868, married to Susan Miller of LaGrange County, Indiana. They moved to White Cloud in Newaygo, Michigan, where he was ordained a minister in 1899. it appears that most of this family later moved to Conway Springs in Summer County, Kansas with their family.

To be continued—by Amos L. Fisher

# DO YOU LIKE GENEALOGY? — Here's one you can sing!

Submittied by Katie Esh, Arthur unknown

I'm My Own Grandpa

Many, many years ago,
When I was twenty-three
I married me a widow,
Who was pretty as could be
This widow had a grown up daughter,
Who had hair of red

My father tell in love with her And soon the two were wed.

This made my Dad my son-in-law,
And changed my very life
My daughter was my mother
Cause she was my Father's wife
To complicate the matter.
Even tho' it brought me joy
I soon became the father
Of a bouncing baby boy.

My little baby then became
A brother-in-law to Dad
And so became my Uncle,
Tho' it made me very sad.
For if he was my Uncle,
Then that made Him brother
Of the widow's grown-up daughter,
Who of course, was my step-mother.

Father's wife then had a son,
Who kept them on the run
And he became my grandchild,
Cause he was my daughter's son
My wife is now my mother's mother,
And it makes me blue
Because altho' she is my wife,
She's my grandma too.

Now if my wife is my grandmother,
Then I'm her grandchild
And everytime I think of it
It nearly drives me wild.
For now I have become
The strangest case you ever saw
A husband of my grandma,
I am my own grandpa!

#### Toward the Eighties

We folks up toward the eighties
With our hair all turning white.
Are like the birds of latter autumn.
Making ready for their flight
At the ending of our journey.
When our earthly trials are o'er.
We will thank and praise our Saviour,
Whom we worship and adore.
On that bright and glorious morning,

"Well-Done,

Thou good and faithful servant,"
Abide with Me, the victory's won.

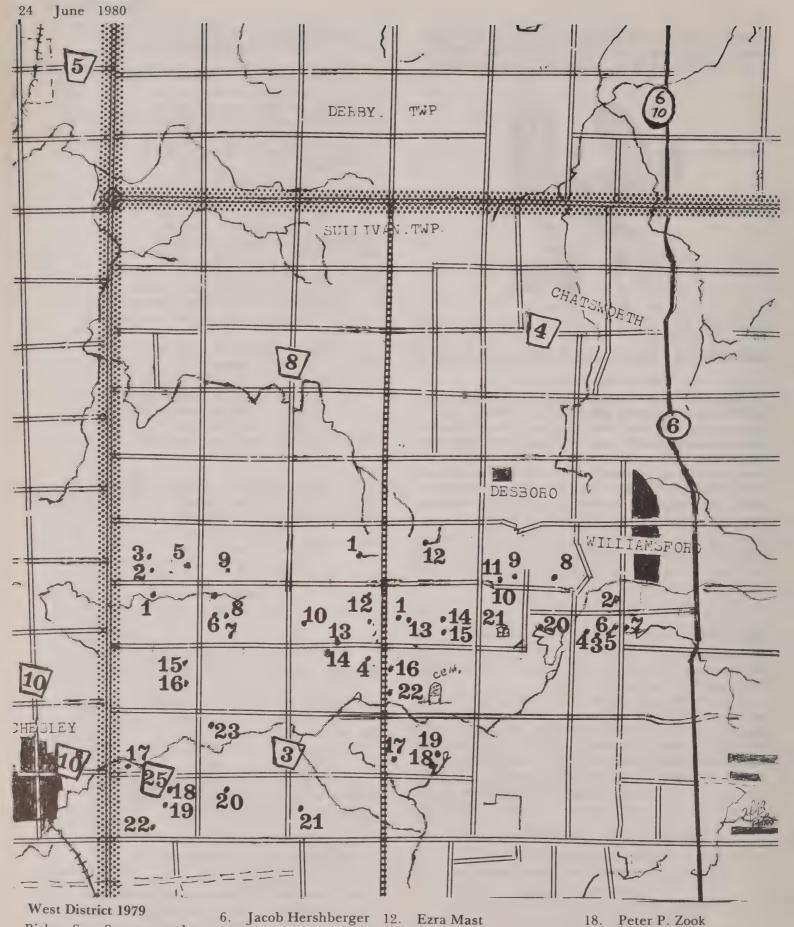
May we hear these words,

☆ R.D.Cramer

"Our times are in His HandsWho said,
"A whole I planned, youth shows but half;
Trust God; see all, nor be afraid."

☆ Browning





Bishop Sam Swartzentruber Minister Andy A. Schorck Sr. 8. Andy A. Schrock Jr. Minister Joe A. Miller

Eli P. Zook

7. Gideon Hershberger 13.

Menno Stutzman

9. Dan Zook 10. Levi Stutzman

11. Ivan Kuepfer

Dan D. Yoder

14. Abe J. Gingerich

15. Noah N. Stutzman

16. Emery J. Hershberger 17.

Owned by Joe Stutzman 23.

(vacant)

19. Gideon A. Schrock

20. Jacob J. Stutzman

21. Enos J. Hershberger 22. Emery Shetler

School house

#### East District—1979

- 1. Minister Moses Hershberger
- 2. Minister Levi Shetler Jr.
- 3. Deacon Joe P. Yoder
- 4. Levi Shelter Sr. (widower)
- 5. Peter J. Yoder
- 6. Levi J. Yoder
- 7. Dan E. Stutzman
- 8. John N. Stutzman
- 10. John J. Stutzman
- 11. Joe N. Stutzman
- 12. Philip Kuepfer
- 13. Enos M. Hershberger
- 14. Roman D. Yoder
- 15. Mrs. Dan M. Yoder (widow)
- 16. Ezra D. Yoder
- 17. Emery J. Weaver
- 18. Amos J. Gingerich
- 19. Emanuel L. Shetler
- 20. Joe J. Stutzman
- 21. School house
- 22. Cemetery

#### **ADDENDUM**

to the Schwartzentruber article, page 24 of 1980 Diary. Map and information by Emery Shetler, Chesley, Ontario

A booster was sent in concerning the Schwartzentruber church districts in North America. We are informed by Shetler that the Swartzentruber church actually started from the 1913-1915 Holmes-Wayne County split. The leaders of the movement were known as the three Sams, namely Bishop Sam Yoder (whom Shetler is a grandson of), Sam E. Miller and Sam J. Swartzentruber. Sam Yoder's second wife was a sister to Sam E. Miller. Between 1920 and 1922 another split occured with the 3 Sams' church. This "Break away" formed the Stutzman church.

Shetler continues, that he remembers when there were only three Swartzentruber districts in Ohio and one in Mississippi, the later now extinct. Presently there are a total of 25 districts in the States and Canada as follows: 12 districts in Holmes-Wayne County, Ohio; 4 at Lodi, Medina County, Ohio; 1 in Guernsey County, Ohio; 3 in Tennessee; 2 at Chesley, Ontario; 1 in New York; 1 in Michigan; and 1 in Minnesota

"Let me grow lovely growing old.
So many fine things to do:
Laces and ivory and gold
And silks need not be new.
And there's healing in old trees,
Old streets a glamor hold;
Why may not I, as well as these
Grow lovely, growing old?"





# Alten Glaubens Articlen und Dienner Beschluß

Vom Jacob Swartzentruber enhalten Abgeschrieben vom Elmer C. Swartzentruber Property of Goshen Historical Library, Goshen, Ind.

Supplied by Leanord Gross

Befolüße zu Strafburg-1568=1607

Ober Abred der Diener und Aeltesten aus vielen orten in einer versammlung gehalten zu Straßburg im Jahr 1568 wie auch nochmals im Jahr 1607 wieder verneuert in einer versammlung an demselben ort gehalten.

- 1. Die hinläffigkeit der Versammlung abzuwarnen. Die Jenigen so ohne Gottliche ursache die Gemein verlaffen ein ernstliches einsehen zu thun, und solches nicht zu gestatten.
- 2. Sollen die Diener die Nächsten Gemeinden durchziehen und alle Mängel besehen, und die Bruder durch die heilsame Lehre Trösten. Und mit ihnen follen Reisen bestätigte Aeltesten durch welche die angehende Aeltesten in der Haufhaltung unterwiesen werden.
- 3. Sollen die Diener und Aeltesten der verlassenen Diener Weib und Kind so in gesahren, reisen oder in gesangenschaft sind, besuchen oder versorgen und trösten, auf daß sich jeder mag der Brüderlichen Liebe und versorgung trösten und freuen, er werde gesangen oder tomme sonst in abgang.
- 4. Es folle man alle diejenigen, so von berowegen ausgesand sind mit aller Nothdurft versorgen und absertigen.
- 5. Soll man der Waiselein gedenken, daß sie vor andern Diensthoten aufgenommen werden, und mit der Zucht auf dermaßen wie Kinder gehalten werden.
- 6. Sollen die armen unerzogenen Kinder und Waiselein der Brüder und Aeltesten nach gelegenheit von dem Gemein gut erzogen werden; die Reichen aber von Thren (eigenem) Gut um ein billiges sollen erzogen werden.
- 7. Sollen die Diener so bestätiget sind, die Gemeinden durchziehen alle Aemter besepen, und wo nicht ist diener und Aeltesten bestätigen mit auslägung der Hände.
- 8. Soll im Brobrechen kein gesatt gehalten werden; ob der Diener breche und gebe, oder ob ein jeder breche. Allen (es) foll jedermann gemahnt werden daß (er) es im unschuldigem Herzen und Gewiffen, und in Einigkeit mit Christo ein Brot set und breche. Doch soll keiner in keiner anderen Gebrauch genötiget werden, und ein jeder darin er ist.
- 9. Das Demüthigen und Niederknien berjenigen fo gefündiget haben und wieder kommen mit bußfertigem Herzem foll vor Gott im Herzen geschen hiermit foll aber das Nieder Knien in geberden nicht aufgehoben

26 June 1980 werden.

10. Soll die Meidung gebraucht werden an diejenigen fo die Wahrheit des Evengeliums und die Brüderschaft verlassen, daß dem Namen Gottes und der Brüderschaft schaben möchte zugefügt werden derhalben begehren wir, daß man sich aller abgefallenen entziehe mit aller maß und bescheidenheit nach grund der Apostel.

- 11. Ein Bruder oder Schwester, soll je eins das andre (vermuthlich der Bruder ein Bruder und die Schwester eine Schwester) empfangen mit dem Kuß (des Herrn). Die aber nicht aufgenommen sin, die soll ein Bruder oder Schwester nicht mit dem Kuß (des Herrn) empfangen, sondern fagen; der Herr komme dir zu hülfe.
- 12. Es follen die jenige die sich in (den) Ehelichen stand begeben wollen daselbe mit Rath und Wifsen der vorgesepten und Aeltesten geschehen, auch in der Furcht Gottes angesangen werden, und (wie) es füglich ist auch Thren Aeltern zu wissen thun und anzeigen.
- 13. Ob die Gläubigen (fe) von den ungläugigen Ehegemahlen verfolgt, und ausgetrieben fein; folsen mit fleißigen Gebeth und bei dem Herrn anzuhalten ermahnet werden, (und) auf die Geduld (gewiefen) bis der Herr ein auskommen geben wird. Derhalben (um) folche gefahr zu erwarten (oder verhüten) follen fich die Gläubigen im Herrn und nicht im Anglauben verheizrathen, es fie Jüngfrauen, Knaben oder Wittling.
- 14. Der Menschen werdung Christe halben, soll Man bev der Heiligen Schrift bleiben, wie Ihn Paulus bezeuget; ein Sohn Gottes nach dem Geist und ein (Sohn) Davids nach dem Fleisch, und wie Ihn Petrus bekennt, Ein Sohn des lebendigen Gottes, und so viel wir möglich ist sich alles Disputires zu hüten und zu enthalten, (gut so).
- 15. Alle diejenigen die fich zu uns thun wollen, und aber von andern getauft find die foll man mit fleiß erforschen ob Thnen die Buß geburtig und ob fie an Christo geglaubt und darauf getauft find, die follen nicht wieder getauft werden.
- 16. Es soll sich kein Bruder in Kaufen oder Bauen, ober sonst in große unnöthige Handthierung begeben, ohne Rath und wissen und willen der Brüder und Aeltesten.
- 17. So sich ein Bruder oder mehr, mit anfahrung oder auflegung wieder die Diener und Aeltesten, und unruh anzu richten, aufbäumen, so soll solchen nach Art des Evangeliums abgemahnt und gestraft werden und (vieleicht um) sevn umenlausen und hinterreden niemand gestatten oder von keinem Bruder oder schwester solches verbäumden von Fremden oder einheimischen angenom= men werden sondern auf die Ordnung gewiesen.
- 18. Auch fo sich Jemand ber Gemein würde wieder die Diener und Aeltesten auflehnen, der foll von den Aeltesten gestillt werden hintersich gemahnt werden damit sie nicht kleinmüthig werden.
- 19. Die unter den Brüdern Wild fangen oder Schieffen wollen, die follen abgemahnt werden, nach der Ordnung 186

des Herrn, und wenn sie ungehorsam sind follen sie mit dem Bann gestraft und ausgeschlossen werden wo nicht ein freien Pries, (Freiheit zur Jagt) ist.

- 20. Die Schneider und Näher sollen bev dem schlechtem und einfältigen Brauch bleiben und gar nichts zur Hoffart machen. Die Brüder und Schwestern sollen bev dem Stand unsrer Ordnung (in) der Kleidertracht stehen bleiben und nichts zur Hoffard machen lassen.
- 21. Do ein Bruder oder Schwester Geld oder Barschaften haben und Jemand will zu behalten geben, die sollen es Brüder oder Schwestern geben, und nicht der Welt vertrauen.
- 22. Wenn ein Bruder oder Sowester Soulden bev der Welt hat, mag ers wohl bei der Obrigkeit fordern lassen, und ihm ziel machen lassen, aber darnach nichts lassen pfänden. (wegnehmen)
- 23. Wenn ein Bruder foll wachen oder hüten, in Dorf, Feld, Holz oder Wald der mag einen dingen, wenn es zur besferung dient, oder (auch) felbst hüten, doch niemand zu schaden bringen, auch kein gewehr tragen als Schieß oder dergleichen.

More Swartzentruber collections to follow

#### WANTED

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Today much more is available and many young people collect their gems in notebooks and "paste ups" to be laid away for the next generation to admire. From experience we find that the greatest pleasure in collecting comes in sharing with our fellow people.

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# **MIGRATIONS**

Eli and Millie (Mast) Yoder moved from Hewitt, Minnesota to Amherst, Wisconsin in March 1980.

Daniel and Rebecca (Lambright) Miller moved from Curtiss, Wisconsin to Amherst, Wisconsin in April 1980.

Levi and Lena (Mast) Yoder moved from Hewitt, Minnesota to Amherst, Wisconsin on May 8, 1980.

Menno A. Miller and family and William J. Mast and family

moved from Clark, Missouri to Utica, Minnesota on April 1, 1980. Norman Beechy moved from Marshfield, Missouri to Windsor, Missouri.

August and Elnora (Borntrager) Girod moved from Curryville, Missouri to Quincy, (Branch County) Michigan on May 6, 1980.

Jesse and Sarah (Schrock) Wagler moved from Bowling Green, Missouri to Booneville, (Cooper County) Missouri on May 9, 1980.

Eli A. and Susan (Borntrager) Lee moved from Curryville,

Missouri to Booneville, Missouri on April 11, 1980.

William and Fannie (Martin) Schrock moved from Bowling Green, Missouri to Booneville, Missouri on May 2, 1980.

Ezra Wagler and daughter Elizabeth moved from Bowling Green, Missouri to Booneville, Missouri on May 2, 1980.

Chriss A. and Mary (Kauffman) Lee moved from Curryville, Missouri to Booneville, Missouri on May 6, 1980.

Henry Swartzentruber moved from Dover, Delaware to Warren Center, (Bradford County) Pa. on April 30, 1980.

LeRoy Masts moved from Hartly, Delaware to Warren Center, (Bradford County) Pa. on May 9, 1980.

Mr. and Mrs. Amos C. Bontrager moved from #1 Bronson, Michigan, to Wadena, Minnesota, May 23.

Henry E. Swartzentrubers moved from Dover, Delaware, to

LeRaysville, Pa, April 29. Leroy J. Masts moved from Dover, Delaware, to LeRaysville,

Pa., May 8.

The Daniel J. Beachy and John E. Beachy families moved from Dover, Delaware, to Marion, Kentucky, April 30.

Mrs. Abe Borntrager Annie from Utica, Minnesota to Hazleton, Iowa, %John A. Borntrager in May.

The Menno A. Miller family from Clark, Missouri to Utica, Minnesota on April 2nd.

The William J. Mast family from Clark, Missouri to Utica,

Minnesota on April 11. Mr. and Mrs. August P. Girod and 9 boys and Miriam J. Eicher moved from Bowling Green. Missouri to Quincy, Michigan, May

Jacob and Lizzie (Troyer) Wagler moved from Bowling Green,

Missourie to Booneville, Missouri, June 6 Homer and Rachel (Wagler) Graber moved from Marshfield,

Missouri to Rexford, Montana, June 30.

#### CROP AND WEATHER — Continued from page 12

Iowa City, Iowa - E. S. Bontrager

Weather has been ideal and rather on the cool side, until the last several days its been real warm, up to 96 degrees, but we could use a good rain now again.

Hay was a good crop. Lots of alfalfa and oats has been put in silos.

Hazleton, Iowa - Joe A. Yoder

The month of June had over 7 inches of rain for this area in general a warm month, the last half of the month. The daytime readings were mostly in the 80's and several days in the 90's. Fairly good hay weather which was a good crop. Corn growing in a rapid pace. Corn will be shoulder high instead of knee high by 4th of July.

Strawberries are plentiful and past. I'm sitting here and looking out over the country side such a wonderful blessing. The good Lord has given us again and what can we give Him in return? Can we be thankful enough? Utica, Minnesota - Atlee J.

Utica, Minnesota - Atlee J. Shetler

The first week in June we had around 9 inches of rain also wind storms and on the 5th a few tornadoes touched down and done a lot of damage to buildings and silos and tree damage. About 3 to 6 miles of our Amish settlement at 6 farms there was damage. Since the 10th of June we had only 1/4 inch of rain so it is dry.

Real nice to put up hay, which was on an average a shorter crop. Pastures are getting short and 2nd crop hay is slow. Strawberry crop was short, gardens are doing real good.

Blair, Wisconsin - Mrs. Moses S. Miller

May started in warm and dry. Was windy the 6th which cooled it off. The 7th was cold with a few snow flakes in the air. A cool spell followed with a little rain the 13th, 17th and 18th. Warmed up the 19th and had hot and dry till the 27th, 28th and 29th we had nice rains refreshing everything. The 30th in p.m. we had a down pour of rain 11/4 inches in about 1/2 hour. Creeks were high, low lands flooded.

Corn is planted and is up. Oats is coming nice. Pastures and hay fields are coming good.

Wilton, Wisconsin - Jacob Hochstetler

June was warm and dry mostly. Had around 3 inches of rain during the month. Most of it came the 6th and 7th, but being so dry in May the moisture didn't last long, but crops look good so far. Hay was lighter than average. Most of first crop put in oats are headed out. Corn averages about knee high. Had a week of hot days and nights the last part of June that really made corn grow. Milk cows are selling high yet, but hogs and slaughter prices have come down considerable the last month.

Friday eve. June 27th an electrical storm passed thru this area with 2 inches of rain and killed 2 horses for John R. Gingerich.

Amherst, Wisconsin - Mrs. L. J. Borntrager

We had nice growing weather in June. With fair amount of moisture. Gardens look good. Hay is being made but is a shorter crop this year. Oats are heading out and look good as well as the corn. We had mostly warm weather in June, but we did have a few cooler spells even had a light frost on the 16th. Not much damage was done though.

Cashton, Wisconsin - Joe C. Borntreger

The weather through June was wet the first week but got quite dry till the 27th we had 1/4 of an inch of rain. Hay was rather thin and short for first cutting. Some farmers are paying as high as \$1.50 a bale for hay out of the field away from the baler, but some are also getting it for .60 a bale. It seems those who have it for sale like to cry shortage.

Blair, Wisconsin - Mrs. Moses S. Miller

June 1st we had an inch of rain in about 20 minutes in p.m. Rained some every day the first week except the 3rd. The 2nd week was cooler with no rain. The 3rd week was cool with rain the 18th and 19th. The 4th week was hot except the 27th was cool with high winds in the evening. June 10th was 34 degrees in morning.

Some farmers are done haying. Hay was not so heavy. Corn looks good. Oats is heading out.

Branch County, Michigan - Mrs. Noah N. Schwartz

The first part of June was very cool and wet with much thunder. On Saturday June 7th we had 2 severe thunder storms with high winds, hail and much rain. Many trees were down and quite a few uprooted. The last week was very warm and humid and is getting very dry.

Bronson, Michigan - O. A. Grabes

We had far above our average rain for the month, but we received about all of it the 1st few days according to most people's measure we must have had a good ten inches and this came in torrents with a strong wind. It did considerable damage in soil erosion and many trees were blown over, plus a few roofs blown off of buildings. Since we had no rain now for about three weeks, it's beginning to get dry. Also some corn and beans were replanted on account of flooding.

Wheat is about ready for harvest and looks like a good crop. Hay is plentiful. Some people have the flu, with hard to get rid of coughs.

St. Marys, Ontario - Abe Hochstetler

Have had some cool weather in June. 21st come in warm with some rain. Good hay crop with grain and corn doing good. Had fairly noticeable frost on the 17th which nipped the corn and layed

Strawberries doing good. Heavy rain on 29th. Hog prices staying depressed. Cattle steady.

Norwich, Ontario - Levi D. Stutzman

The first part of June was cool and wet with several light frosts. Some damage was reported on the 17th. Poor having weather up to the 20th. More rain on the 28th and 29th total for month, 4 inches.

Grey County, Chesley, Ontario - Jacob C. Hershberger

This month was wet and cool the first half, had a few snow flurries on the 8th, and some frost on the 16th and 17th, at some places, but not much damage. We had 3.2 inches of rain. The corn was froze a little but it is growing out of it since we have warm weather again. The hay looks to be a heavy crop and farmers have started to cut some hay.



Clinton County, Pennsylvania

May 6, 1896 - Daniel E. Stoltzfus

#### Lancaster County, Pennsylvania Men

June 30, 1885 - David B. Zook, Bird-in-Hand #1

Oct. 28, 1887 - Isaac B. Zook, Christiana #1 Sept. 21, 1888 - Amos L. Beiler, Narvon #2

Dec. 10, 1888 - Aaron Esh, Leola #1

Nov. 20, 1889 - Noah D. Zook, Old Phila Pike, Lanc. June 27, 1891 - Moses S. King, Ronks #1

Aug. 27, 1892 - Jonthan Zook, Gridley Rd., Lanc.

Oct. 12, 1892 - Benjamin K. King

July 14, 1893 - Daniel K. Smoker, Ronks #1

Sept. 24, 1893 - Benjamin M. Kauffman, Christiana #1

Feb. 27, 1894 - Christ M. Lapp, Intercourse Sept. 8, 1894 - Elam B. Stoltzfoos, Leola #1 Jan. 1, 1895 - Isaac L. King, Bird-in-Hand May 3, 1895 - Jonas S. Fisher, Ronks #1 June 4, 1895 - Aaron M. Beiler, Lancaster

Aug. 24, 1895 - Daniel K. Blank, Leola #1 Oct. 22, 1895 - Aaron B. Stoltzfus, Ronks #1

Oct. 26, 1895 - Jesse B. Riehl, New Holland #2

Nov. 28, 1895 - Moses B. Zook, Lancaster Oct. 4, 1896 - David Allgyer, Lancaster

Nov. 25, 1896 - Amos H. Fisher, Ronks #1 Feb. 1, 1897 - Elam A. Stoltzfus, Kinzers #1

Feb. 17, 1897 - Amos K. Zook, Bird-in-Hand Mar. 11, 1897 - Moses Y. Beiler, Ronks #1

Mar. 12, 1897 - David B. Beiler, Hartman Station Rd., Lanc.

Mar. 21, 1897 - Elam S. Fisher, Gordonville #1 1897 - Elam Stoltzfus

July 17, 1897 - Stephen S. Stoltzfus, Kirkwood #1

Aug. 12, 1897 - John P. Stoltzfus, Gap #1 Sept. 10, 1897 - Christian L. King, Ronks #1

Sept. 26, 1897 - John K. Lapp, New Holland #1

Oct. 5, 1897 - Samuel L. Blank, single, New Holland #3 Oct. 12, 1897 - Elias R. Beiler, Gordonville #1

Mar. 12, 1898 - David F. Esh, Gordonville #1 July 25, 1898 - Christian F. King, Ronks #1

Sept. 2, 1898 - Stephen B. Stoltzfus, Honey Brook #1

Oct. 23, 1898 - Aaron K. Lapp, Kirkwood #1

Oct. 23, 1898 - Levi E. Stoltzfus, Bird-in-Hand #1

Sept. 27, 1898 - John S. Lapp, Leola #1 July 7, 1898 - John M. Esh, Paradise #1

Mar. 1, 1899 - Amos E. Stoltzfus, Morgantown #1 June 9, 1899 - Kore M. Stoltzfus, Ronks #1

May 22, 1899 - Samuel R. Beiler, Gordonville #1 Sept. 16, 1899 - Amos S. Beiler, Ronks #1

Nov. 6, 1899 - Elmer D. Stoltzfus, Leola #1

Oct. 24, 1899 - Ammon H. Stoltzfus, Bird-in-Hand #1

Oct. 5, 1899 - Joshua L. King, Leola #1

Dec. 26, 1899 - Aaron L. King, Honey Brook #2

Jan. 16, 1900 - Christ Flaud, Gap #1 Aug. 24, 1900 - John S. Glick, Gap #1

Nov. 20, 1900 - Amos U. Glick, Jarvis Rd., Lancaster

Dec. 20. 1900 - Frederick K. Stoltzfus, Morgantown

#### Women

Sept. 25, 1872 - Salina, widow of Enos Stoltzfus, 2198 Hobson, Rd., Lancaster

July 3, 1886 - Fannie, widow of Amos U. Stoltzfus, Ronks #1 Dec. 25, 1888 - Mary, widow of Daniel Stoltzfus, Leola #1

Dec. 17, 1890 - Widow Elizabeth Lapp, Gap, Pa.

Jan. 14, 1891 - Annie, widow of John B. Miller, Bird-in-Hand #1 Jan. 17, 1892 - Rebecca, widow of Daniel M. Fisher, Lanc. #4

Dec. 23, 1892 - Katie, widow of Henry F. Stoltzfus, Geist Rd., Lancaster.

Mar. 19, 1893 - Lydia, widow of Jonathan L. Beiler, Quarryv. #3 June 21, 1893 - Rachel, widow of Christian M. Lapp, New

Holland #2 Dec. 30, 1893 - Annie, widow of Isaac P. Stoltzfus, Gordonville #1

Apr. 1, 1894 - Miss Emma Riehl, 149 Iris Drive, Lancaster Apr. 20, 1894 - Sarah, widow of Gideon Diener, Gap #1

June 14, 1894 - Malinda, widow of Joel King, Bird-in-Hand #1

July 2, 1894 - Emma, widow of Michael Stoltzfus, Gap #1 Nov. 5, 1894 - Annie, wife of John F. Stoltzfoos, Bird-in-Hand

Oct. 28, 1894 - Lydia, widow of Eli B. Smucker, Gordonville

1895 - Fannie Fisher

Feb. 24, 1895 - Malinda, widow of Jacob K. Lapp, Gordonville #1 Sept. 6, 1895 - Hannah, wife of Aaron M. Beiler, 99 Witmer Rd..

Dec. 11, 1895 - Rebecca, widow of John U. Fisher, Paradise #1 Lancaster.

1895 - Elizabeth Beiler

Sept. 6, 1895 - Lydia, wife of Amos S. Esh, Intercourse

Sept. 26, 1895 - Sadie, widow of Jacob Peachey, Leola #1 Nov. 24, 1895 - Lydia, widow of Levi L. Lapp, Gordonville #1 Jan. 3, 1896 - Mamie, widow of Elmer Z. Stoltzfus, Kinzers #1

Mar. 9, 1896 - Rachel, widow of Moses B. Stoltzfoos, Leola #1

Oct. 15, 1896 - Annie wife of Moses Y. Beiler, Ronks #1

Dec. 24, 1896 - Miss Ada M. Stoltzfoos, Leola #1

1896 - Susan Allgyer

Jan. 16, 1897 - Rebecca, widow of Benuel B. Stoltzfus, Honey Brook #1

Feb. 17, 1897 - Sarah, widow of Jacob Flaud, Bird-in-Hand #1

Mar. 21, 1897 - Fannie, widow of Samuel L. Fisher, Kinzers #1 Apr. 15, 1897 - Katie, wife of Jonthan Zook, Gridley Rd. Lanc.

June 22, 1897 - Emma, wife of Aaron B. Stoltzfus, Ronks #1 July 5, 1897 - Elsie, widow of John A. King, Kinzers #1

Nov. 8, 1897 - Fannie, widow of Moses Riehl, Mascot Rd., Ronks May 1, 1898 - Emma, wife of Jesse B. Riehl, New Holland #2

May 20, 1898 - Mrs. Sarah Beiler, Kinzer

Sept. 13, 1898 - Fannie S., wife of Elias R. Beiler, Gordonville Sept. 29, 1898 - Arie, wife of Aquilla Riehl, Bird-in-Hand #1 Oct. 5, 1898 - Sarah, wife of Stephen B. Stoltzfus, Honey Brook

Nov. 6, 1898 - Widow Lydia King, Lancaster Nov. 22, 1898 - Mrs. Fannie Stoltzfus, Bird-in-Hand

1898 - Sarah Smoker 1898 - Fannie Beiler 1898 - Fannie King 1898 - Fannie Flaud

1898 - Lizzie Stoltzfus

Jan. 4, 1899 - Elizabeth E., wife of John K. Lapp, New Holland

Jan. 21, 1899 - Miss Emma King, Ronks #2

1899 - Barbara Stoltzfus

May 3, 1899 - Sadie B., wife of Elam A. Stoltzfus, Kinzer June 13, 1899 - Mary, widow of John F. Stoltzfus, Narvon

July 9, 1899 - Annie H., widow of Andrew D. Beiler, Bird-in-

July 19, 1899 - Sarah E., wife of Elam Fisher, Gordonville Aug. 19, 1899 - Widow Rachel Beiler, Gap

Sept. 28, 1899 - Fannie, wife of Amos S. Beiler, Ronks

Sept. 23, 1899 - Widow Betsie Beiler, Gap

1899 - Sadie King

Oct. 22, 1899 - Widow Priscilla Petersheim, Paradise Jan. 30, 1900 - Elizabeth, widow of Levi Fisher, Ronks

Apr. 15, 1900 - Rachel, widow of Christian Beiler

May 7, 1900 - Miss Annie K. Beiler

May 23, 1900 - Sylvia, wife of David F. Esh, Gordonville Aug. 20, 1900 - Malinda, wife of Moses Zook, Lancaster Aug. 21, 1900 - Savilla, wife of Moses S. King, Ronks

Sept. 21, 1900 - Hannah, widow of David Zook, Gordonville #1

Nov. 11, 1900 - Katie, wife of Daniel Blank, Leola Nov. 11, 1900 - Sarah, widow of John E. King, Narvon Mary King

Senior Marriages

Dec. 3, 1917 - Moses Y. and Annie S. (Lapp) Beiler, Ronks, Pa. Nov. 19, 1918 - Levi E. and Fannie (King) Stoltzfus, Bird-in-Hd. Nov. 26, 1918 - Aaron B. and Emma (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus, Ronks Dec. 5, 1918 - Jonathan F. and Katie (Zook) Zook, Lancaster Dec. 14, 1918 - David and Susan (Stoltzfoos) Allgyer, Witmer Dec. 24, 1918 - Jesse B. & Emma S. (Lapp Riehl, New Holland #2 1918 - Elam S. and Sarah E. (Stoltzfus) Fisher, Gordonville Dec. 4, 1919 - John K. and Lizzie (Smoker) Lapp, New Holland Dec. 16, 1920 - Aaron M. and Hannah (Hertzler) Beiler, Lan. Dec. 30, 1920 - Elias R. and Fannie S. (Fisher) Beiler, Gordonville Dec. 6, 1921 - Stephen B. and Sarah (Smoker) Stoltzfus, Honey Brook #2

Dec. 15, 1921 - Elam A. and Sadie (Beiler) Stoltzfus, Kinzers #1

1920 - Moses B. and Malinda Zook 1921 - Daniel K. and Katie Blank 1921 - Moses S. and Savilla King 1922 - Amos U. and Anna Glick 1920 - David R. and Sylvia Esh

1922 - Amos S. and Fannie (Stoltzfoos) Beiler, Ronks

#### Mother's Apron

I used to say to Mother When friends dropped in for tea, "Oh, Mother, take your apron off, And don't embarrass me." But Mother simply smiled and said, "I will when I get through-But I have need of it just now; There's work for me to do.

I argued and apologized, And often I opined That wearing aprons gave a hint That one was not refined, But Mother took the restless babe Upon her aproned knee; Quite undisturbed by what I said, She rocked on cheerfully.

And when the older boys came in A giggling, happy lot-My Mother with the babe in arms, Would stir the old iron pot And from the kitchen she would bring A dinner well prepared By loving hands for healthy youths Who seldom thought or cared.

And thus to labor and to serve My Mother, always wore A large, white, crispy apron In happy days of yore. And when the evening meal was done, I'd say, "Oh, Mother, do Take off your apron, "She'd reply, "I will when I get through."

'Twas thus the happy years sped on, Her children grew and wed; And Mother nursed her grandchildren In her own children's stead. She always found the time to go To soothe a neighbor's cough, But never could she find the time To take her apron off.

The corner of her apron served To dry our childish tears-It was a screen for peekaboo For more than fifty years. It told each hungry stranger Who came shivering to our door, "My apron's on-I'm here to serve Until life's day is o'er.'

So faithfully she worked away— She had so much to do-And always of her apron said, "I will when I get through." And then one night with weary feet She climbed the old home stair, And with a conquering sigh she sat Down on her bedroom chair.

And folding up her apron white, As she was wont to do, She handed it to me and sighed. "Well, daughter, I am through." And peacefully she entered into Rest—so nobly earned. And as the lonely years passed on by This lesson I have learned....

My Mother's apron symbol was Of service-for her King. Now in my treasure chest it lies, A lovely, precious thing.

Sel. by Wilmadean Cable, Camden, Ind.

McClure, Pennsylvania

Aug. 16, 1889 - Bishop Samuel S. Yoder, Reedsville, born in Nebraska.

#### Mifflin County, Pennsylvania

Apr. 8, 1887 - Samuel Sharp. May 2, 1888 - Mary, widow of Josiah H. Peachey. May 31, 1896 - Noah L. Peachey. Apr. 2, 1896 - Iddo W. Bender. Aug. 18, 1897 - Dea. Joseph E. Peachey. Feb. 8, 1899 - Katie, widow of Jonas J. Yoder.

Couples married 50 years

Nov. 19, 1925 - Jacob J. and Annie L. Peachy. Dec. 5, 1925 - Rugus A. and Annie L. Peachey. Dec. 15, 1927 - Levi P. and Lydia S. Kanagy.

Jan. 5, 1928 - Samuel Y. and Lizzie M. Detweiler. Nov. 29, 1927 - Joseph A. and Barbara Z. Zook.

Lebanon County, Pennsylvania

Oct. 30, 1893 - Elam G. Stoltzfus, Myerstown #2 July 16, 1900 - Gideon H. Fisher July 24, 1900 - Henry K. King

Path Valley, Pennsylvania

Aug. 15, 1884 - Sarah, widow of Daniel Zook.

Somerset County, Pennsylvania

Mar. 19, 1887 - Mrs. Samuel U. Yoder, Salisbury.

July 24, 1895 - Mrs. Albert U. Yoder, Grantsville, Md.

Aug. 20, 1897 - Levi D. Christner, Salisburg

June 15, 1899 - Mrs. Noah D. Wengerd, Meyersdale, Pa.

Nov. 9, 1900 - Menno Peachey.

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Juniata County, Pennsylvania

Sept. 24, 1897 - Sara, widow of Amos D. Zook, Mifflintown. May 9, 1904 - Druscilla, widow of Rufus P. Kanagy, Mifflintown.

Dover, Deleware Oct. 14, 1885 - Annie, widow of Stephen King, Wyoming.

Feb. 21, 1886 - Eva, widow of Henry S. Miller, #2 Dover.

Mar. 12, 1891 - Eliza, widow of Dan Miller, #2 Dover

Mar. 13, 1894 - Mary, widow of Manass Schlabach, Wyoming

Sept. 12, 1899 - Pre. Norman Swartzentruber, #2 Dover

Holmes County, Ohio

Apr. 28, 1892 - Levi L. Yoder, Sugarcreek #2.

June 21, 1892 - Mrs. Emma Miller, Millersburg Star Rt.

Mar. 11, 1893 - Andrew M. Kauffman, Millersburg #5.

July 27, 1892 - Adam E. Yoder, Millersburg.

Nov. 25, 1893 - Emma, wife of Joe C.D. Miller, Frederickstown.

Feb. 5, 1894 - Joas A. Troyer, Fredericksburg #2.

Apr. 4, 1894 - Lydiann B., wife of Adam E. Yoder, Millersburg.

Apr. 24, 1894 - Mrs. Sam A. Susie (Beachy Shrock) Yoder, #2 Sugarcreek, Ohio.

July 20, 1894 - Dan E. Hershberger, # Millersburg

Jan. 8, 1895 - Harvey J. Schlabach, #5 Mbg. Ohio

Feb. 20, 1895 - Mrs. Rebecca (Hershberger) Miller, -#2 Sugarcreek, Ohio.

July 9, 1895 - Joe C.D. Miller, #2 Fred. Ohio.

Dec. 12, 1895 - Mrs. Sarah (Frey) Miller, #2 Sugarcreek, Ohio

Feb. 27, 1896 - Alvin J. Miller.

March 28, 1896 - Mrs. John H. Miller, #2 Millersburg.

June 3, 1898 - Crist S. Miller, #2 Sugarcreek, Ohio June 4, 1898 - Jacob N. Raber, Fred. Ohio

Aug. 17, 1898 - Eli B. Weaver, #5 Mbg. Ohio

Nov. 19, 1898 - Sarah Miller, #5 Mbg. Ohio

Nov. 21, 1898 - Widow Ella Miller, #5 Mbg. Ohio

Jan. 2, 1899 - Levi L. Stutzman, Star Route, Mbg. Ohio

Feb. 1, 1899 - Mrs. Malinda (Beachy) Shetler, #2 Sugarcreek O.

June 24, 1899 - Levi J. Troyer, #3 Millersburg

July 9, 1899 - Mose D. Troyer, Star Rt. Mbg. Ohio

Oct. 24, 1899 - Widow Sarah Miller, #2 Fred. Ohio

Married over 50 years

Jan. 19, 1928 - David M. and Saloma (Mast) Miller, #2 Fred. Ohio Jan. 27, 1915 - Adam E. and Lydiann (Kauffman) Yoder, Star Rt.

Feb. 4, 1918 - Joe C.D. and Emma (Wengerd) Miller, #2 Fred. O.

Mar. 6, 1919 - John J.E. and Sarah (Schlabach) Miller, #5 Mbg.

Dec. 22, 1922 - Joe Y. and Sarah (Fry) Miller, #2 Sugarcreek, O. Mar. 1, 1924 - Andy M. and Sarah (Schlabach) Miller, #5 Mbg. O.

Mar. 20, 1924 - Levi L. and Sarah (Yoder) Stutzman.

Jan. 22, 1925 - Jonas T. and Lovina (Coblentz) Miller, #2 Fred. O Dec. 11, 1925 - William R. and Susie (Pfister) Yoder, #2

Sugarcreek, Ohio Feb. 9, 1926 - Roy J. and Lizzie (Coblentz) Miller, #2 Fred. Ohio Feb. 18, 1926 - Bishop Noah J. and Lovina (Yoder) Coblentz, #2

Sugarcreek, Ohio

Dec. 23, 1926 - Alvin J. and Rebecca (Hershberger) Miller, #2 Sugarcreek, Ohio

Jan. 6, 1927 - Mose J. and Ada (Miller) Wengerd, Dundee, Ohio Dec. 8, 1927 - Melvin D. and Elmina (Beachy) Yoder, #2 Sugarcreek, Ohio 190

Dec. 22, 1927 - Noah R. and Emma (Pfister) Yoder, #2 Sugarcreek, Ohio

Dec. 22, 1927 - William N. and Sarah S. (Bontrager) Miller, Berlin, Ohio

Jan. 19, 1928 - David M. and Saloma (Mast) Miller, #2 Fred. O. March 29, 1929 - Homer I. and Cora (Yoder) Wengerd, Star Rt. O

Holmes County, Sugarcreek area

Dec. 12, 1895 - Mrs. Joe Y. Sarah (Frey) Miller, #2 Sugarcreek, Ohio

Feb. 1, 1899 - Mrs. Malinda (Beachy) Shetler, #2 Sugarcreek, O. Jan. 11, 1900 - Pre. William R. Yoder, #2 SugarCreek, Ohio

April 24, 1894 - Widow Mrs. Susie (Beachy, Shrock) Yoder, #2 Sugarcreek, Ohio widow of Sam A. Yoder.

June 3, 1898 - Christ S. Miller, Sugarcreek, Ohio

Oct. 12, 1897 - Mrs. Mary Ann (Yoder, Yoder) Mullet, Sugarcreek, Ohio

April 28, 1892 - Levi L. Yoder, #2 Sugarcreek, Ohio

July 10, 1892 - Mrs. Mary (Miller) Troyer, #1 Sugarcreek, O.

Feb. 27, 1896 - Alvin J. Miller, #2 Sugarcreek, Ohio

Feb. 20, 1895, #2 Sugarcreek, Ohio

Married 50 years

Dec. 12, 1922 - Joe Y. Miller and Sarah D. Frey, #2 Sugarcreek Ohio

Feb. 18, 1926 - Bish. Noah J. Coblentz and Lovina R. Yoder, #2 Sugarcreek, Ohio

Jan. 6, 1927 - Moses J. Wengerd and Ada D. Miller, #2 Dundee, Ohio

Dec. 31, 1925 - Pre. William R. Yoder and Susie Pfister, #2 Sugar Creek, Ohio

Dec. 22, 1927 - Noah R. Yoder and Emma Pfister, #2 Sugar Creek, Ohio

Dec. 8, 1927 - Melvin D. Yoder and Elmina Beachy, #2 Sugar Creek, Ohio

Nov. 15, 1928 - Menno N. Borntrager and Lydia Ellen Frey, Sugarcreek, Ohio

Dec. 25, 1923 - Nelson D. Yoder and Mary Ann Schlabach, #1 Sugar Creek, Ohio

Dec. 23, 1926 - Alvin J. Miller and Rebecca Hershberger, #2 Sugarcreek, Ohio

Wayne, Holmes, Ohio

Oct. 23, 1882 - Samuel B. Weaver, #5 Mbg. O.

Nov. 25, 1883 - Emma, widow of Joe C.D. Miller, #2 Fred. O.

Feb. 15, 1884 - John D. Troyer, #4, Mbg. O.

June 4, 1888 - Susan, widow of Sam Yoder, #2 Fred. O.

May 10, 1889 - Samuel J. Schlabach, #1 Fred. O.

Mar. 5, 1890 - Albert B. Yoder, #2 Fred. O.

June 3, 1891 - Mattie, widow of Andy Burkholder, #5 Mbg. O.

June 30, 1891 - Martin J. Hostetler, Applecreek, O.

Sept. 6, 1891 - Mary, widow of Harry Kauffman, Star Rt. O.

Apr. 7, 1892 - Manasses J. Yoder, #1 Fred. O.

June 21, 1892 - Emma, widow of Ben J. Miller, Star Rt. O.

July 27, 1892 - Adam E. Yoder, Star Rt. Mbg. O.

Oct. 25, 1892 - Amanda, wife of Eli T. Miller, #5 Mbg. O.

Mar. 10, 1893 - Mattie, wife of Albert B. Yoder, #2 Fred. O.

Mar. 11, 1893 - Andrew M. Kauffman, #5 Mbg. O.

Apr. 9, 1893 - Elizabeth, wife of Martin J. Hostetler, Applecr. O.

Nov. 24, 1893 - Jonas D. Yoder, #5, Mbg. O.

Dec. 12, 1893 - Mary Ann, widow of John E. Yoder, #2 Fred. O.

Feb. 5, 1894 - Joas A. Troyer, #2 Fred. O. Apr. 4, 1894 - Lydiann, wife of Adam E. Yoder, Star Route Apr. 6, 1894 - Lizzie, widow of Emanuel Gingerich, #5 Mbg. O.

July 20, 1894 - Lovina, widow of Albert J. Troyer, Star Route, O. Oct. 15, 1894 - Amanda, widow of Eli J. Hershberger, #5 Mbg. O.

Jan. 8, 1895 - Harvey J. Schlbach, #5 Mbg. O.

Feb. 4, 1895 - Eli T. Miller, #5 Mbg. O.

Mar. 15, 1895 - Harry E. Weaver, #3, Wooster, O.

Apr. 16, 1895 - Ada, wife of Jacob J. Chupp.

June 27, 1895 - Jacob J. Chupp, Holmesville, Ohio

Sept. 16, 1895 - Andrew A. Keim, #5 Mbg. O. Aug. 10, 1896 - Levi J. Hostetler, #5 Mbg. O.

Jan. 4, 1898 - Jacob N. Raber, #1 Fred. O.

Aug. 17, 1898 - Eli B. Weaver, Star Route, Mbg. O. July 9. 1899 - Mose D. Troyer, Star Route, Mbg. O.

Nov. 28, 1891 - Mary, widow of Levi Hershberger, Star Rt. O.

Dec. 19, 1912 - Albert B. and Mattie Yoder, #2 Fred. O.

Dec. 4, 1913 - Martin J. and Elizabeth Hostetler, Applecreek, O. Jan. 27, 1915 - Adam E. and Lydiann Yoder, Star Rt. Mbg. O.

Mar. 9, 1917 - Jacob and Ada Chupp, Holmesville, O. Jan. 15, 1920 - Eli T. and Amanda Miller, #5 Mbg. O.

Jan. 14, 1913 - John D. and Anna Troyer, #4, Millersburg, O.

Feb. 27, 1919 - Ezra and Ada Miller, #1 Dundee, O. Mar. 9, 1919 - John J. E. and Sarah Miller, #5 Mbg. O.

Dec. 20, 1923 - Abe J. and Sarah Hostetler, #4 Mbg. O.

Mar. 20, 1924 - Levi L. and Sarah Stutzman, Star Rt. O. Jan. 2, 1925 - Jonas T. and Lovina Miller, #2 Fred. O.

Jan. 22, 1925 - Andy C. and Anna Yoder, #1 Dundee, O.

Feb. 5, 1925 - John E. and Mattie Kline, #4 Mbg. O.

Nov. 12, 1925 - Hohn A. and Fannie Miller, #5 Mbg. O. Jan. 14, 1926 John J. D. and Susan Miller, #1 Dundee, O.

Feb. 9, 1926 - Roy J. and Lizzie Miller, #2, Fred. O.

Feb. 25, 1926 - David E. and Mahola Miller, #5 Mbg. O.

#### Southeastern Holmes County, Ohio

Oct. 23, 1886 - Mose J. Mast, Baltic, Ohio

May 1, 1885 - Mary Miller, Baltic, Ohio Jan. 3, 1890 - Bish. Menno N. Schlabach, Baltic, Ohio

Feb. 4, 1892 - Enos A. Miller, Baltic, Ohio Oct. 4, 1895 - Susan Raber, Baltic, Ohio May 28, 1897 - Sarah Erb, Sugarcreek, Ohio

Sept. 26, 1897 - Sarah Miller, Baltic, Ohio Dec. 16, 1897 - Jeff N. Miller, Baltic, Ohio

Dec. 28, 1898 - Emanuel M. Beachy, Sugarcreek, Ohio Jan. 23, 1899 - Mary Troyer, Baltic, Ohio

Nov. 18, 1899 - Andy J. Troyer, Millersburg, Ohio

Ashland, Ohio

Jan. 10, 1898 - Widow Mrs. Sarah B. Miller, #5, Ashland, Ohio April 25, 1899 - Bish. Abe D. Troyer, Ashland, Ohio

#### Allen County, Indiana

May 1, 1891 - Mrs. Bertha Eicher. Aug. 5, 1896 - Mrs. Emma Delagrange.

#### Daviess County, Indiana

Nov. 17, 1887 - Mrs. Mary S. Graber Nov. 10, 1890 - Mrs. Caroline Knepp Jan. 18, 1891 - Mrs. Eliza Wagler Sept. 21, 1892 - Mrs. Lovina Wagler July 2, 1896 - Mrs. Fannie Raber May 3, 1899 - Mrs. Lizzie Knepp

Nov. 30, 1899 - Mrs. Anna Knepp

June 21, 1891 - Victor Lengacher

May 2, 1899 - Jacob Miller

Aug. 2, 1900 - Mrs. Jacob (Lucy) Miller

There are many things in life That we cannot understand But we must trust God's judgement And be guided by his hand And all who have God's blessings Can rest safely in his care For he promises "Safe passage" On the wirgs of faith and prayer.

Haven, Kansas

Jan. 8, 1891 - Pre. David K. Bontrager, Haven #2 Jan. 27, 1893 - Sam J. Petersheim, Haven #2 Dec. 7, 1893 - Mrs. Deemy Schrock, Haven #2

Oct. 13, 1894 - Mary, Mrs. David K. Bontrager, Haven #2

Aug. 7, 1900 - Bish. David E. Schrock, Haven #2

Married 50 years or more

Mar. 13, 1913 - Pre. David K. and Mary (Bontrager) Bontrager, Haven #2

Nov. 30, 1922 - Samuel S. and Lydia (Schrock) Schrock, Haven #2 Dec. 22, 1927 - Tobias R. and Anna (Bontrager) Schrock, Hutchinson #2

Jan. 2, 1930 - Perry H. and Anna (Yoder) Eash, Haven #2

You should never forget your parents Love, oh love them more and more As their longing eyes are turning Toward the golden shining shore Let you words be always tender

Loving thoughtful, soft and low Let their last days be their best ones They have ever known below

Can you ever forget your father? With his slowly fading sight With locks once so thick and raven Scanty now and almost white Though he may be old and feeble You must still be very kind Years ago twas he sustained you Strong in body and in mind.

Can you ever forget you mother? With her care worm furrowed brow All the light of by-gone pleasures Cruel time has faded now Memory is slowly waning Oh! how soon its poers will fail Guide her gently, till she passes Safe within the Mystic veil.

Selected by Mrs. Enos E. Schrock

#### Wilton, Wisconsin

Sept. 13, 1893 - Widower Christian M. Borntreger.

Buchanan County, Iowa

Nov. 12, 1895 - Andy Kurtz Sr., Fairbank, Iowa Jan. 14, 1897 - Benjamin Bontrager, Independence, Iowa

Aug. 28, 1898 - Pre. Jonas E. Helmuth, Hazleton, Iowa Sept. 13, 1899 - Bishop Eli J. Bontrager, Fairbank, Iowa

Feb. 19, 1900 - Daniel M. Bontrager, Hazleton Apr. 19, 1901 - Mrs. Maryann Mast, Fairbank

June 27, 1900 - Joseph A. Yoder.

Aug. 15, 1903 - Ida Mae, wife of Joseph A. Yoder.

#### Married 55 years

Joseph A. and Ida Mae (Miller) Yoder.

Pike County, Missouri

Aug. 21, 1894 - Mrs. Maryann Burkholder, Bowling Green, Mo. Dec. 3, 1894 - Mrs. Lydia Mast, Bowling Green, Mo. June 11, 1895 - Pre. Phineas M. Borntreger, Bowling Green, Mo. Oct. 4, 1895 - Mrs. Elizabeth Schwartz, Bowling Green, Mo. Nov. 28, 1896 - Sam R. Borntrager, Curryville, Mo.

Married 50 years

May 29, 1919 - Sam R. and Lizzie (Yoder) Borntrager. Feb. 23, 1925 - Joni E. and Lizzie (Stutman) Bontrager. Jan. 6, 1927 - Joseph S. and Amelia (Hershberger) Whetstone.

#### Norwich, Ontario

June 18, 1898 - Bishop Abe D. Troyer. Feb. 11, 1891 - Dan D. Stutzman.

Jan. 22, 1894 - Mrs. Emanuel (Annie) Miller.

June 18, 1898 - Bishop Abe D. Troyer. Nov. 21, 1899 - Daniel J. Stutzman.

Blair, Wisconsin

July 12, 1894 - Widow Mrs. Sam Mast, Blair, Wisconsin

A man had a dream that Jesus was showing him the names of those in the book of life. Behind each name there was blood. Behind one name there was much more blood than any of the rest of them. The man inquired of Jesus what the man had done that so much more blood was needed than the others. After thinking a bit, Jesus said, "I don't remember." That is the way he forgives.

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Und ich fage ein Engle fliegen mitten burd ben Himmel. Offenb. 14:6.

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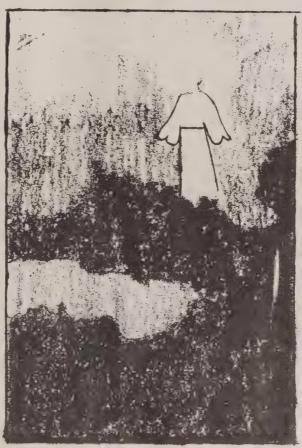
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Babylon

Sie ift gefallen, Babylon die groffe ftadt. Offenb. 14:8.

- 1. O! Was hat Belfazer gedach?

  The das er fich trunken macht.

  Das Königreich in meiner hand,

  Und ja was, ein herrlicher ftand.

  In die maueren von Babylon,

  Da war Belfazer fein großer thron

  Zehn hundert menschen ruft er zusammen,

  Das sie zu seinem tanz haus kommen.
- 2. Mit dem beften Chaldaischen wein, Machten sie ihr herven sehr unrein, Tanzen, lachen und trunken viel, Das music war ihr Satanspiel. Sie dachten nicht wie nächst das end, Dieweil ihr augen war verblend
  - Sie fehen oben an die wand, Gefdrieben von ein jener hand.

# The Front Cover

Last month a front page drawing and text was not chosen until near press time. For some reason none had been supplied nor provided for the season. Then the poem of Babylon (which we are using this month) appeared on our desk which we thought was appropriate to use with Revelation 14, as a text. We could not find a drawing to fit in such a short time. Incidently a friend reminded us of a picture that was taken in Lebanon County, Pennsylvania as it now appears this month.

#### The Story of the Picture

On the evening of June 22, 1972, after the storm Agnes was declining an unusual atmosphere filled the air. The storm had taken its toll, flooded areas were still under water which had not receded enough to fully realize the damage. While the water could still be heard gushing, in a race to find rest in a lower place, the Heavens were enlighting the world to promise a still morrow. It was at that time that a lady was watching these unusual scenes of clouds floating low and near, seemingly in her back yard. With the sun now gleaming through the clouds at least one appeared to have a silver lining, she chanced to take a picture of, perhaps the most beautiful cloud of all and on another day she took the picture to town to have it produced. Before she came to town to pick up her possession she was called from the developer by telephone and asked earnestly, "Where did you get that picture?" "There was an angel in the cloud." She had not seen the angel in the cloud but when she looked at her photo she could be sure there was one there.

Eight years have passed since and this great event has never gotten to publicity. Perhaps if a high official of the nation or a Hollywood Star would have visited the area it would have made headlines far and wide. Likely the Heavenly messenger meant to visit the lowly, to confiding hearts. The lady (whose name and address will not be given) has shared her pictures to friends, some were reproduced and circulated to some extent. But the negitive is now lost and no more can be produced. Very few remain to be seen.

To overhear pros and cons, as opinions are passed is quite interesting. One look at the picture will fully convince you that the angel was there but that is all we know. Most observers will agree that the angel brought a message to earth. Some will say that it was a message of assurance that God's promise is the same today as it was in the days of Noah after the flood. Others may hold that the message is a reassurance or reminder that Angels do exist and visit the earth and may be near even though we do not know it. Highly esteemed, or high educated men have zoomed through the Heavens to adventure the moon and more, but none have reported seeing an Angle. Yet the lowly of the earth were so near one.

The third, and perhaps the most talked about is that the Heavenly messenger is telling us the end is near, a signal is telling that the grapes are ripe and the harvest is near. Rev. 14:18.

- 3. Die hand das hat der Herr gesend,
  Ein warnung für des reiches end.
  Niemand hat können die hand schrift lessen,
  Durch ihr böß ungöttliches wessen,
  Der könig war vorschrocken sehr,
  Sein gebeine schittlen mehr und mehr.
  Der könig fordert Daniel bei,
  Zu deiten diese worte drei.
- 4 Der Daniel fagt ihm frei heraus,
  "Das diese nacht in deinem haus
  Dein königreich zurbrechet in zwei,
  Dein lebens zeit ist nahe fürber
  Du worst gewogen in Gottes macht,
  Du wiegst zu leicht in dieser nacht."
  Belsazer in sein könig macht,
  Sat diese warnung nicht geacht.

- 5. Vom wahre Got der könig weift,
  Dieweil sein vater war gespeist.
  Er af wie oxen auf dem land,
  Und hat sein hösten Gott bekannt.
  Er war wie mensch und doch wie vieh,
  Sein königreich last er darhie
  Die groffe thür zu diese stadt,
  Die Man ja nicht beschlossen hat.
- 6. Der fechte Engle, ein schale gießt,
  Daß das wasser Euphrates getrucknet ist.
  Den Chrus sein armee vom Morgen land,
  Kommt durch den Strom auf trucken sand. Mit alse ihre schwerte gut bereit,
  Zu über nähmen die Babplonishe seit.
  Durch die straße und der halse ein,
  Da wird Belfazer's ende sein.
- 7 Das königreich in zwei verteilt,
  Die Meden und Persien wie vorzeicht.
  Die Bibel sagt vom manche leit,
  Mein Herr Er wird nicht kommen heit.
  Zu trinken mit den trunken bold,
  Und tanzen durch des Satan's schold.
  Ja wer da liebt das Satanspeil,
  Bergast sich mit der welt zu viel.
- 8. Von unfern Herren, es ift gesprochen,
  Sein blut für uns ift aus gegoffen.
  So wann wir heit ein umkehr machen
  Vergibt Gott uns die übel fachen,
  Rift dich zum ftreit für Jesu Chrift,
  Ehe der ftrom Euphrates getrucknet ift.
  Schlies dich in Jesus' gemeine ein,
  Vis morgen mächst zu spote Sein.

# KING BELSHAZZAR'S LIFE TYPIFIES The End of Time

- 1. O! What did Belshazzar think?

  Before he went to take his drink

  "The worldly Kingdom in my hand,
  And O! How happy I do stand."

  Within the walls of Babylon,
  King Belshazzar had his great throne.
  He called together his ten Hundred men,
  To have a dancing time with them.
- 2. They had the best chaldean wine,
  .Which made them all feel very fine.
  They'd laugh and sing without a fear,
  With all the music one could hear.
  Lively, livelier it would get,
  As the dancing partners met.
  They did not known how near the end,
  As all of a sudden the Lord did send.

- 3. An armless hand up on the wall,
  Which said, "Thy Kingdom scon shall fall."
  No one there these words could read,
  Because they failed to do their deed.
  The King was scared with his mistake,
  His loins were loose, his knees did shake
  So now the king for Daniel sent,
  He told him what the three words ment.
- Thy kingdom here shall break in two,
   Tonight God makes an end with you.
   The balances in which you were weighed,
   Is going to make you sore afraid.
   You were weighed and weighed too light,
   Because you had a godless night.
   Your doors not locked but by surprise,
   An army from the east shall rise.
- O king! You knew from God on high,
   Because your father just did die.
   King and beast he just has been,
   And man he has become again.
   This warning Belshazzar pushed aside,
   He had his faith in worldly pride.
   So now an Angle poured out his vial,
   Upon the river Euphrates trail.

- 6. The river got dry and will again,
  It's a spiritual meaning, but who knows when?
  So Cyrus' army from the east did come,
  And crossed the river one by one.
  Now for Babylon they did go,
  They had their swords prepared to throw.
  The unlocked gates were open wide,
  The army marched in there, side by side.
- 7. In the streets and up the hall,
  Here Balshazzar's throne did fall.
  Now great Babylon did break in two,
  To the Medians and Persians as Daniel knew.
  The Bible says, That man will say,
  "My Lord will not yet come today.
  So I will play and drink and dance
  I think I'll take another chance."
- 8. Now if you love to dance and drink,
  Just stop and let your conscious think.
  Our Lord in Heaven, on earth, has said,
  "My blood for you, yes I will shed,
  So if we now repent today,
  The Lord will take our sins away.
  Prepare to see that river dry,
  And meet the angles in the sky.

# **COMMUNITY NOTES**

#### Centreville, Michigan - 2 year old son drowned in river

Mark, 2, son of Kenneth and Carol (Yoder) Burkholders was found dead 30-45 minutes after he was missing. Mrs. Kenneth Borkholder and children, Ezra Eichers and Mrs. Ervin Hochstetler were down by the river behind Ervins when suddenly little Mark was missing. The Sheriff dept. was called and deputies, the rescue squad, Centerville fire department members and other friends joined Marine Officers in the search. He was found face down in the water, caught on some brush about ½ mile down the stream. He was rushed to the Sturgis Hospital but all efforts to revive him were of no avail. (See obituary).

#### Johnson County, Iowa - Senior member dies

Sarah, widow of Wm. A. Miller, 87, passed away at the home of her daughter, Emma, the Harley Shetlers, where she had her home since the death of her husband several years ago. Her first husband (Abe H. Mast) died in 1957.

Washington County, Iowa - Senior member dies

Dennis J. Miller, 88 years, 8 months, 18 days old, died July 6, due to a heart condition. He was the son of Joseph and Mary (Bender) Miller. He is married to Ida Helmuth. To this union 11 children were born. Also surviving are his wife Ida, one brother, 34 grandchildren, 11 step-grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren.

#### Wingham, Ontario, Canada - Man hurt in cultivator run-away

Bishop Dan D. Stutzman had a run-away in the cultivator, June 14. The cultivator tipped, throwing him off on the leg he had hurt a year ago in a binder accident. He has crushed bones in his knee, and was in London Hospital for 8 days. He has his leg in cast, but can walk with the aid of crutches.

#### Pike County, Missouri - Boy hurt in farm accident

Dan Jr., 17, son of Dan and Mary (Whitstone) Eicher miraculously escaped serious injuries when a runaway team hitched to a loaded bundle wagon knocked him over when he ran toward them trying to stop them, they ran over him but it is believed the horses didn't stop on him and none of the wheels went over him. The team was frighted when they started the thrashing

machine. He was taken to the emergency room where he was treated for scratches and bruises on the shoulders and back also had stitches on the knee, later he went to a chiropractor and found out he also has a slipped disc.

Salisburg, Penna. - Sawmill accident

Ezra F. Peachey, had his 2 middle fingers cut off at the first joint in a V belt pulley, on July 4. His intentions were to reach for the lever to stop the engine. While looking somewhere else his hand reached into the V belt instead of the lever. He had his arm in sling but is getting along as well as can be expected.

#### St. Marys County, Maryland - Woman suffers burns

On Monday, July 28, Mary, wife of Levi S. Stoltzfus, was burned on her left hand and right foot, when a pan of hot paraffin exploded as she was removing it from the stove.

#### Millersburg, Ohio - Undergoes heart surgery

Atlee D. Schlabach, #3 Millersburg, has had surgery on valves to his heart. He is at home now and is getting along real good. His wife was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Noah T. Yoder, Baltic, Ohio. They were married on this last May 22.

#### Jamesport, Missouri - House Fire

On July 4, Bishop Simon Hostetler's house burned down with nearly all its contents, which included several pieces of old but prized furniture and some glassware which had belonged to parents or grandparents years ago. The fire started from an oil cook stove shortly before dinner time. The use of a fire extinguisher, flour and soda, etc. failed to get it under control, and the thick smoke prevented them to get any contents out of the house except a few items out of basement. A new house is being built at present, and is now under roof.

#### Hollow Rock, Tenn. - Community Notes

Roman Borntreger was taking care of a new colt and the colt's mother apparently didn't trust him. She bit him in the neck, so that he was sore for several days.

John Troyers were traveling on Highway 70 when a pickup truck hit them from the rear. John was thrown from the buggy and his wife, Lena and baby were kind of thrown between the wheel and the shaft. There were no broken bones but John and Lena both had a bruised leg. Lena's was so that she was unable to

walk on it.

Eli Garber had an operation on his foot he injured a number of

years ago. He is hoping it won't be so stiff after it heals.

John Henry, baby son of Rudy Troyers spent 3 days in the Huntingdon hospital the first week of June. He had fever and convulsions and a little ear infection. He had quite a few tests and a spinal tap. Several weeks later he got sick again and breathed very heavily. He was taken to the McKenzie hospital and after a few tests and x-rays, was taken to Jackson hospital. They found acid in his blood, but were unable to find the cause. He was there from Sunday P.M. until Thursday. He is better again but gets fussy at times.

#### Conneautville, Penna. - Community Note

Mrs. Verna Wengerd has been a hospital patient for nearly 5 weeks. She underwent various tests and had exploratory surgery, on Monday, July 28, cancer was found.

#### Sugarcreek, Ohio - Community Note

Noah E. Miller accidently got his thumb on the right hand in the rip saw, July 7. He was at Union Hospital and had 21 stitches put in to close the wound. It was healing nicely till Tuesday at the frolic at Dan L. Beachys when a hammer accidently fell on his thumb which was very painful and was bleeding again.

Miss Mary L. Bachy, 35, #2 Sugarcreek, came home from the Riverside Hospital Columbus, July 19, where she was a patient for 7 weeks after having a knee joint replacement. She is gaining

nicely.

#### Kokomo, Indiana - Community Note

Mrs. John (Mattie) Hochstedler, 95, seems to be pretty good this summer. Mrs. Tobias (Mattie) Yoder, near 90, is in bed part time and gets around some with a walker. Mrs. Joe E. Herschberger, former Emma Yutzy, Arthur, Ill., married to widower Joe since March 17, 1974, and near 80 years old was hospitalized two weeks due to a congested heart caused by fluid on the lungs. Further tests and x-rays show a tumor on the lung and three other lumps on the chest and near neck show to be cancerous. She is being cared for at home in her daughter Clara's house the Andrew E. Yoders, which is in the same yard. Her pain seems to come and go so she can still rest well at times which is a blessing.

#### Hollow Rock, Tenn. - Community Notes

On the way to church, just as Eli and Lovina Yoder, son and daughter of Enos Yoder, were crossing a bridge their horse shied and dumped the buggy and everything off the other side. Lovina broke her arm pretty badly and spent one night in the McKenzie hospital. Their parents were spending that weekend at Seymour, Missouri.

Mrs. Wm. Yoder and son Willie also had a shaking up when there horse ran away. I didn't get all of the details, but they went through a fence and made several circles in a field. Fortunately they weren't hurt but guess there was a little damage done to their cart and harness.

Barbara, daughter of Roman A. Borntrager was helping at the sawmill and got pinched between two piles of small boards, when one pile shifted and fell toward the other one. She was kinda laid up with sore legs a few days but is going again.

#### Ethridge, Tenn. - Community Notes

Malinda, 1 year old daughter of Sammie R. Yoder is in the hospital with Spinal Mennengitis

Paul A. Miller was in the hospital with what they thought was from heat, but later thought its liver trouble.

Monroe A. Miller was also on the sick list from being over

Joseph, son of Ura J. Gingerich kicked a scratcher while running thorough a cow field cut a gash in his foot. He needed several stitches.

#### Utica, Minn. - Boy breaks leg second time

Raymond Yoder, son of Eli J. and Ada Yoder of Chattfield broke his leg second time at the same place on July first, when he lost his balance, while being out in the field with his dad putting up fence.

The first time he broke it on April 18, and had been in the hospital over three weeks. They had taken his cast off and was scheduled to come in on July 6, to see if it was healed good enough

to go with out crutches, when he broke it again. He again spend 2 weeks in the St. Marys hospital at Rochester. He is at home now again going on his crutches. His age is 13.

#### Haven, Kansas - Community Notes

Freddie J. Yoder is in the hospital having had back surgery July 23.

Perry Eden Eash has been laid up a month or so already with Siactic Rhumutism. He gets around slowly again with the aid of a cane.

Mrs. Perry H. Eash and Mrs. Rudy Bontreger have both been to Halstead hospital the past week 2 days for tests again. Lots of our people will be going on vacations in Aug. again, some to Colorado, some to Indiana, Illinois and Ohio. It is to be a south Bend Indiana get together at Floyd E. Schrocks here August 9, who were in service there and have a circle letter going.

#### Norwich, Ont. - Community Note

Joe, 14 year old son of Gideon L. Miller broke his left arm after he fell off of a horse. He was riding on July 6. The horse stumbled which caused him to fall.

Fremont, Indiana - Tremor felt

The tremor of an earthquake was felt here on Sunday afternoon, the 27th. Only a slight shaking for a few minutes.

#### Dundee, Ohio - Tremor felt

On July 27, an earthquake was felt through Holmes County and Wayne County. No damage done that we know of.

Arthur, Illinois - Nearly 60 year old matrimony broken

Mrs. Levi G. Miller (Carrie) died June 12, at her home at Arthur, at the age of 79 years. She lived her entire life in the Arthur area. She was a daughter of Jacob and Mattie (Kauffman) Kauffman. She married to Levi Miller in October 1921. They were together longer than any other couple here, at this time.

#### Fremont, Indiana - Community Notes

Jake M. Schwartz had blood poisoning from a tooth he pulled on June 30, and required 5 stitches. By Wednesday July 2, he was a very sick man and needed doctors attention.

Emanuel N. Schwartz spend from Wednesday July 23, to Friday July 25 in the hospital with sore throat and kidney infection. He

was on IV most of the time.

# BIRTHS

Clymer, New York
Miller, Enos A. (Nettie Byler) a dau., Dorothy, July.

#### Conewango Valley, New York

Miller, Sam J. (Edna J. Miller) Conewango Valley #1, a son Andy, July 22.

Miller, Sam S. Jr. (Lizzie A. Miller) Conewango Valley #1, a son Mosie, July 8.

#### Centre County, [Brush Valley] Pennsylvania

Beiler, Samuel (Malinda Stoltzfus) Rebersburg, a son, Elam, July 3. Stoltzfus, Tobias (Fannie Zook) Rebersburg, a dau. Lena, July 15.

#### Lancaster County, Pennsylvania

Allgyer, John (Mary Yoder), Gordonville #1, a son, July 26 Beiler, Elmer L. (Priscilla Stoltzfus) Strasburg, #1, a dau. Priscilla, June 29.

Beiler, Emanuel L. (Leah L. Riehl) Ronks, #2, a dau. Emma R., July 4. Beiler, Levi K. (Fannie Zook) Narvon, #2, a dau. Katie, July 11.

Ebersol, John (Sadie Beiler) Bird-in-Hand, #1, a dau. Amanda B., July 27.

Esh, Benjamin H. (Katie S. Stoltzfus) Ronks, #1, a son, Stevie S., July 24.

Fisher, Amos L. (Sarah Stoltzfus) Bird-in-Hand, a son, Alvin, July 4. Fisher, Ephraim M. (Barbara Esh) Cochranville, #1, a dau., June 28.

Fisher, Isaac E. (Sarah Stoltzfus) Quarryville, #3, a dau. Phoebe, July 11.

Fisher, Jacob S. (Mary S. Beiler) Bart, a son Israel B., June 13.

Fisher, John F. (Annie Stoltzfus) Quarryville, #1, a son, Flam, July 8. Fisher, Samuel K. (Mattie King) Ronks #1, a dau. Elizabeth K., June

30.

Fisher, Samuel L. (Susie Glick) Strasburg #1, a son, Joseph L., July 27.

Glick, Abner S. (Lavina Stoltzfus) New Providence #1, a dau. Ruth S., July 1.

King, Amos K. (Rachel B. King) Manheim #1, a son Daniel K., July 20. King, Eli S. (Nancy L. Esh) Lancaster, a dau. Sadie S., June 29.

King, Isaac L. (Emma Stoltzfus) Quarryville #2, a son David B., July 1.

Lantz, Aquilla (Sylvia King) Strasburg, a dau. Anna, July 4.

Lantz, Daniel (Aary Stoltzfus) Gap #1, a son Samuel E., July 23.

Lapp, Amos S. (Sadie Glick) Leola #1, a son Elam Jay, July 19. Lapp, Enos K. (Mary Stoltzfus) Ronks #1, a son Enos, July 15.

Lapp, Jacob B. (Suvilla King) Ronks, a son Henry, July 3.

Miller, Samuel S. Jr. (Ada Stoltzfus) Bird-in-Hand #1, a son Raymond S., July 15.

Riehl, Ephraim Jr. (Elizabeth Petersheim) Leola, a son Elmer A., July 13.

Smoker, Samuel (Rachel Lapp) Ronks #1, a dau. Sadie L., July 27. Smuc'r, John F. (Katie Fisher) Narvon #2, a dau. Sarah, July 28.

Stoltzfoos, Daniel (Fannie King) New Holland #1 a dau. Malinda, July 19.

Stoltzfus, Ben L. (Lydia Ebersol) Kirkwood #1, a son Abram E., July 4.

Stoltzfus, Christ M. (Rachel Stoltzfus) Quarryville #2, a son Amos L., July 3.

Stoltzfus, Christ S. (Annie E. Stoltzfus) Lancaster, a son Stephen L., July 14.

Stoltzfus, David Ira (Linda Mae Stoltzfus) Gap #2 a son, John Lee, July 2.

Stoltzfus, David K. (Katie Stoltzfus) Ronks #2, a dau. Malinda S., June 30.

Stoltzfus, David L. Jr. (Malinda Stoltzfus) Honey Brook #1, a dau., July 18.

Stoltzfus, Ephraim Jr. (Sylvia B. Beiler) Leola, a dau. Annie E., July

Stoltzfus, Levi S. (Lydia Ann Stoltzfus) Honey Brook #1, a son Nathan Paul, July 20.

Stoltzfus, Sol (Anna Stoltzfus) Gap #2, a son. July 27.

Zook, Daniel B. (Leah K. Miller) Quarryville #3, a dau. Barbara Mae, June 30.

Zook, Melvin (Mary F. King) Christiana #1, a dau. Miriam, July 8.

#### Dover, Delaware

Byler, Wm. C. (Emma Hershberger) #1 Wyoming, a son Harvey, June 18.

**Detweiler**, John Ray (Martha Miller) #2 Dover, a dau. **Anna Mary**, June 4.

Miller, Ervin H. (Emma Mast) #1 Wyoming, a dau. Neoma, June 9. Miller, Jonas A. (Martha Yoder) #1 Dover, a dau. Sylvia, June 21.

Yoder, Ammon J. (Lizzie Yoder) #1 Hartley, a dau. Elizabeth, June 3.

#### Mifflin County, Pennsylvania

Detweiler, Samuel (Annie Peachey) Allensville, a dau. Lydia, July 16. Peachey, Josiah (Leah Swarey) Allensville, a dau. Anna, June 29. Peachey, Shem (Barbara Zook) Belleville, a son Shem, July 4. Yoder, Menno (Annie Yoder) Belleville, a dau. Miriam, July 16.

#### Franklin County, Pennsylvania

Esh, John K. (Sarah Stoltzfus) Newburg, a son Paul, July 11.

#### Southern Mercer County, Pennsylvania

Byler, David A. (Katie R. Wengerd) New Wilmington #1, a son Valentine, July 18.

Byler, Enos A. (Mary B. Kurtz) New Wilmington #2, a son Dan, July 25.

Byler, John J. (Mattie G. Byler) New Wilmington #2, a son Gideon, July 3.

Byler, Paul J. (Lovina E. Mast) Volant #3, a son Rudy, July 18.

#### Geauga County, Ohio

Byler, John (Nancy) Middlefield, a dau. July 1.

Detweiler, Adam (Emma Weaver) Middlefield, a dau. Esther, July.

Detweiler, Albert (Sarah Byler) Middlefield, a dau. July.

Detweiler, Eli N. (Edna Miller) Middlefield, a son, July 14.

Detweiler, Lester (Alta Gingerich) Burton, a dau. Mary Ellen, July 8. Gingerich, Joey (Mary Miller) Middlefield, a dau. Elizabeth Ann, July. Glick, Daniel (Betty Slabauch) Burton, a dau. Mary, June 25.

Mast, John Henry (Nancy Weaver) Middlefield, a dau. Lovina, July

Miller, Freeman (Mary) Middlefield, a son, June 26.

Miller, Gideon E. (Elizabeth Miller) Middlefield, a son, Enos, July

Miller, Mahlon (Mary Miller) Burton, a dau. Elizabeth, July.

Miller, Noah (Martha Detwoiler) Middlefield, a son, July.

Miller, Noah (Martha Detweiler) Middlefield, a son, July.

Miller, Joe (Sarah) Middlefield, a son, June 25.

Miller, Ray (Laura Lesline) Middlefield, a dau. Catherine, July 13.
Miller, Raymond (Loma Mae Gingerich) Middlefield, a dau. Laura

Mae, June 27. Smucker, Andy (Sarah Miller) Middlefield, a dau. July.

Troyer, Eli (Alma Hershberger) Middlefield, a dau. July 25.

Troyer, Peter (Lena Barkman) Middlefield, a dau. Maryann, July 14. Weaver, Harvey (Barbara Miller) Middlefield, a son John Henry, July.

Weaver, Joe (Maryann Miller) Middlefield, a son Levi, July.

Wayne County, Ohio

Hershberger, Enos J. (Rebecca Miller) Apple Creek, a son John, July Keim, Marvin A. (Iva Troyer) Apple Creek, a daughter, July. Mast, Paul E. (Sarah Miller) Apple Creek, a son Leroy, July.

#### Holmes County, Ohio

Beachy, Emery V. (Betty Troyer) #1 Sugarcreek, a dau. July 14. Engbretson, Steve (Edith Yoder) #1 Sugarcreek, a dau. Naomi, July 20.

Hershberger, Eli H. (Barbara Miller) #1 Fredericksburg, a dau. Fannie, June 1.

Miller, Bishop Andy M. (Amanda Troyer) #1 Fredericksburg, a son Leroy, July 1.

Miller, Pre. Ervin N. (Betty Hostetler) #2 Sugarcreek, a son Jacob, July 12.

Miller, Ezra M. (Esther Weaver) a dau. Miriam, June 24.

Miller, Henry (Emma Miller) #1 Big i rairie, a dau. Fannie, July 23.

Miller, Noah A. (Sara Miller) Baltic, twins, Ivan and Ina, July 13.

Miller, Pete S. (Anna Miller) a son Arlen, July 29.

Raber, Dan D. (Lydia Miller) #1 Big Prairie, a dau. Mattie, July 29. Raber, Mr. and Mrs. Levi E. #3 Millersburg, a son Levi Jr., July 22.

Schlabach, Levi (Kathy Hochstetler) Orrville, a son, July 27. Troyer, David A. (Fannie Yoder) #1 Big Prairie, a son Eli, June 7. Troyer, John A. (Elizabeth L. Hershberger) a son Dannie, July 16.

Troyer, Reuben L. (Esther A. Hershberger) #5 Millersburg, a son Duane, June 29.

Troyer, Wayne L. (Barbara A. Raber) #5 Millersburg, a son Joseph, June 28.

Weaver, Pete (Irene Hershberger) #2 Fredericksburg, a son David, July 10.

Yoder, Mervin A. (Sarah Miller) Star Route Millersburg, a son Adrian, June 15.

Yoder, Monroe C. (Dora Miller) a dau., June 21.

Yoder, Mr. and Mrs. William H., Baltic, a son David, July 13.

#### LaGrange County, Indiana

Bontrager, Daniel (Frieda Mast) R.R. Rome City, a dau. Linda Kay, July 9.

Bontrager, Daniel A. (Ida) #1 Topeka, a dau. Martha, July 18.

Bontrager, Harley A. (Esther Yoder) a son Ernest, July 20.

Bontrager, Howard H. (Rosie C. Bontrager) #2 Shipshewana, a son Homer, July 24.

Detwiler, Joseph (Laverda) Shipshewana, a dau. Kathryn Jo, July 3. Hershberger, Perry Jr. (Esther Yoder, Topeka, a dau. Marlene Sue, July 10.

Lambright, Cletus (Lorine Schlabach) #1 Topeka, a son Kenneth Lee, July 15.

Lambright, Richard (Carolyn Sue Miller) #1 Shipshewana, a dau. Jolene, July 10.

Lehman, Alvin (Inez Slabaugh) #2 Shipshewana, a dau. Malinda. Lehman, Samuel (Ida Bontrager) #1 Topeka, a son Norman, July 15. Mast, Calvin H. (Barbara S. Yoder) #1 Topeka, a dau. Jody Ann, July

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 Miller, David W. (Esther Marie Yoder) #2 Topeka, a dau. Luetta

Fern, July 26.
Miller, David (Mary Beachy) #1 Topeka, a son Laverne, July 10.

Miller, Dennis (Ruth Ann Miller) #3 Ligonier, a son Mervin Dean, July

Miller, Dewayne (Alma Yoder) a son, Devon Ray, July 16.

Miller, Freeman (Irma Miller) LaGrange, a dau. Anna F., July 9.

Miller, Jerry F. (Elizabeth Miller) #1 Topeka, a dau. Marietta, July 3.
Miller, LeRoy (Ada Mae Lambright) #4 LaGrange, a son David L.,
July 1.

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Miller, Tobias J. (Esther A. Hochstedler) #5 LaGrange, a dau., July 25.

Nisley, Ora Jr. (Irene Gingerich) #1 Topeka, a dau. Barbara, July 25. Otto, Larry (Mary Etta Otto) #1 Topeka, a son LaVon, July 21.

Schlabach, Joas (Katie Byler) Topeka, a dau. LaVera, June 24.

Schrock, Vernon S. (Susie L. Yoder) #2 Shipshewana, a dau. Marilyn, July 22.

Yoder, Andrew J. (Rosanna Eash) #4 LaGrange, a son Lynn, July 12.

Yoder, Clarence T. (Ruby Miller) a son Samuel C., July 25.

Yoder, Ezra L. (Mary Ellen Hochstedler) #2 Shipshewana, a dau. Martha E., July 25.

Yoder, Gaylord (Miriam Miller) Shipshewana, a dau. JoEllen, July 13.Yoder, Samuel F. (Esther Yoder) #4 LaGrange, a dau. Ruthetta, July 25.

Yoder, Wilbur (Amanda Raber) LaGrange, a son Jerry, July 3.

#### Ashland County, Ohio

Hershberger, Jonas J. (Anna A. Yoder) a dau. Laura, June 29. Schlabach, Titus J. (Mattie S. Miller) a son Herman. July 12. Weaver, Jonas E. (Orpha R. Yoder) a son Eli. July 11.

#### Allen County, Indiana

Eicher, Joseph (Margaret Eicher) a son Joseph Allen, July 26.

Graber, John (Lillie Graber) a son Jesse July 7.

Graber, Andy (Esther Graber) a dau. Rosa Mae, July 16.

**Graber**, Samuel (Clara Mae Schmucker) a son **Samuel Jr.**, July 4. **Zehr**, Lester (Wilma Graber) a dau. **Laura Loraine**, July 1.

#### Adams County, Indiana

Eicher, Pete A. J. (Ruby E. Schwartz) Geneva a son Daniel, July 17. Christner, Sam (Anna E. Girod) Berne, a dau. Anna, July 9.

Miller, Emanuel L. (Lydiann N. Schwartz) Monroe, a son Emanuel, July 10.

Schwartz, Daniel K. (Rebecca U. Schwartz) Berne, a dau Amanda , July

Schwartz, Daniel U. (Rosie K. Schwartz) Berne, a dau. Margaret, July.

Schwartz, Levi K. (Rebecca L. Wickey) Monroe, a dau. Rebecca, July 19.

Shetler, Dave (Verna E. Schwartz) Monroe, a dau. Emma, July 18. Wichey, Amos E. (Barbara Christner) Geneva, a son Michael, July 1.

#### Nappanee, Indiana

**Borkholder**, Raymond (Wilma Hochstetler) a son **Raymond Eli**, July 22.

Chupp, Howard (Nora Chupp) a son Joe Dean, July 1. Hochstetler, Phil (Catherine) a son Jason Lynn, June 29.

Kauffman, Norman (Clara Lambright) a son Jesse, June 18.

Kuhns, Omar (Lydia Raber) a dau. Bertha, July 18. Yoder, Emery (Pauline Gingerich) a son Ronald, July 1.

Yoder, Lavern (Marla Slabaugh) a dau. Inez, June 14.

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#### Daviess County, Indiana

Graber, Jacob (Delilah Jean Wagler) Odon, a son Jacob Jr., July 6.
Knepp, Elmer Leroy (Ida Mae Wagler) Odon, a son Kenneth Leroy,
July 8.

Knepp, Wilmer (Naomi Wagler) Montgomery, a dau. Rosemary, July 25.

Lengacher, Victor (Lydia Wagler) Montgomery, a dau. Miriam, July 21.

Stoll, Stephen (Joan Graber) Loogootee, a dau. Rebecca, July 16.

Wagler, Amos (Ida Rose Wagler) Loogootee, a son Timothy Dale, July 27.

Wagler, Arthur (Fannie Margaret Raber) Odon, a son John Dennis, July 4.

Wagler, Ezra (Mary Louise Wagler) Montgomery, a dau. Laura Rose, July 11.

Wagler, John (Betty Graber) Plainville, a son, July 27.

Wagler, Leroy (Keturah Wagler) Montgomery, a dau. Linda Kay, June.

Wagler, Levi (Marilyn Wagler) Montgomery, a son Mathew, July 15.
Wittmer, John (Susie Knepp) Odon, twin daughters, Julie and Janice,
July 1.

#### Loganton, Illinois

Miller, David (Lydia Mae Beachy) a son Paul Joseph, May 30. Beachy, Fred (Verna Miller) Arthur, a son Cephas, July 10. Brenneman, Lonnie (Gertie Ann Yoder) a son Olen, June 6. Miller, Ervin (Susan Yoder) a son Merle, July 11. Otto, Wilmer (Lela Schrock) a dau. Loretta Kay, July 24.

Schrock, Owen (Katie Fern Diener) a dau., June 22.

Schrock, Paul (Rosemary Miller) a son, Perry, July 13.

Schrock, Reuben (Fern Schrock) Arcola, a son Bennie, July 8.

Schrock, Willis (Ida Miller) a dau., June 25.

Stutzman, Harley (Florence Miller) a dau. Annabelle.

Stutzman, Willard (Ruth Herschberger) a son, June 16.

Yoder, Lester (Marie Miller) a son Paul, June 5.

#### Guthrie, Kentucky

Gingerich, Menno E. (Lizzie Gingerich) Ethridge, a son Jacob, July 21.

Troyer, Abe J. (Mattie Renno) #2 Guthrie, a dau. Rhoda, June 17.

#### Audrian County, Missouri

Bontrager, Eli J. (Amanda Shetler) Clark, a dau. Ida, July. Borntreger, Willie (Mattie Bontrager) Clark, a dau. Mary, July 22. Miller, Ezra E. (Lydia Gingerich) Clark, a son Mervin, June 26. Shetler, Eli V. (Barbara Gingerich) Clark, a son Levi, July 21.

#### Anabel, Missouri

Borntreger, Willis A. (Fannie Mae Borntreger) Macon, a son Edwin, June 11.

Detweiler, William F. (Rosanna Kurtz) a son Johnny, July 14.

Yoder, David M. (Betty Hostetler) a son Phillip, July 28.

Yoder, William H. (Mary Ann Yoder) twin sons Jacob and Jonathan, July 16.

#### Bowling Green, Missouri

Schrock, Alvin (Anna L. Schwartz) Bowling Green, a dau. Rachel, July 1.

Schrock, Andy (Lydiann Burkholder) Curryville, a dau. Lena, July 10. Schwartz, Jacob (Lydia Borntreger) Curryville, a son William, July 20.

Schwartz, Noah (Fannie Kemp) Curryville, a son Jacob, July 26.

#### Beebe, Arkansas

Miller, Perry L. (Emma Yutzy) a dau. Barbara Ann, June 10.

#### Johnson County, Iowa

Miller, Joseph (Rhoda Kauffman) a son, Aaron, July 10. Miller, Simon (Ruby Ann Overholt) a dau. Ida Mae, July 23. Yoder, Cephas (Emma Yoder) a son Vernon Lee, July 22.

#### Buchanan County, Iowa

Mast, Allen (Ada Miller) Fairbank, a son James, July. Mast, Mervin (Anna Marie Mast) Hazleton, a son Monroe, July 4.

#### Harmony, Minnesota

Gingerich, Dan G. (Susane Stutzman) Harmony, a dau. Esther, July 25.

Wengerd, Andy D. (Lovina Miller) Harmony, a dau. Ida, July 12.

Hershberger, Tobie (Cevilla) a dau. Rebecca, June 15. Miller, Elmer (Katie Hershberger), a dau. Anna, May 1.

Miller, Willie (Rachel Hershberger) a son Jerry, April 29.

Swartzentruber, Jacob (Rebecca) a son William.

Wengerd, Andy D. (Lovina Miller) Harmony, a dau. Ida, July 12.

#### Blair, Wisconsin

Wengerd, Andy Lydia Mae Miller) Blairm a son William, July 9. Branch County, Michigan

Girod, Joe A. (Effie N. Schwartz) Readerig, a son Reuben, July 13.

#### Chesley Ontario, Canada

Hershberger Emery J. (Mary Stutzman) a dau. Katie July 19. Hershberger Enos K. (Anna D. Yoder) a dau. Rebecca July 12.

#### Chetek, Wisconsin

Lehman Dennis R. (Emma J. Miller) Chetek, a dau. Elizabeth, July 17.

Miller Samuel A. (Mary A. Miller) Chetek, a son Amos, May 10.

#### Cashton, Wisconsin

Borntreger Chris (Ada Miller) a son Eli July 24. Herschberger Thomas (Ida Hochstetler) a dau. Rachel July 6. Schmucker Dan (Amelia Hochstetler) a son John, July 20.

#### Norwich, Ontario

Shetler, Henry D. (Mary J. Miller) a dau. Katie, July 20.

#### The Soul Of A Child

The soul of a child is the loveliest flower
That grows in the garden of God;
It climbs from weakness to knowledge and power
To the sky from the clay and the clod.

To beauty and sweetness it grows under care, Neglected, 'tis ragged and wild; 'Tis a plant that is tender and wondrously rare, The sweet, wistful soul of a child.

Be tender, O Gardener, and give it its share Of moisture, of warmth, and of light; And let it not lack for painstaking care To protect it from frost and blight.

For the day will soon come when the bud will be bloom
And to the ways of the world beguiled;
Let us win him to Christ while yet there is room
In the sensitive soul of a child.



# **BAPTISMS**

Allen County, Indiana

By Bishop Sam C. Graber, July 20 Peter, son of John and Josephine (Graber) Graber Jonas, son of Menno and Mary Alice (Miller) Hilty Rosann, daughter of Joseph and Lavina (Brandenberger) Hilty Verna, daughter of Reuben and Irene (Brandenberger) Steury Susan, daughter of Fred and Rosina (Miller) Graber

Nappanee, Indiana

by Bishop Walter Helmuth, July 6 Anna, daughter of Jacob and Mary Ann (Miller) Miller

# **MARRIAGES**

Conneautville, Pennsylvania

Fehr, Coblentz - David, son of Isaak and Anna Fehr, Conneautville #3 to Nancy, daughter of Jonas and Laura Coblentz, Springboro #2, by Menno E. Fisher, June 5.

Allen County, Indiana

Zehr, Wickey - Victor, son of Victor and late Barbara (Wagler) Zehr to Naomi, daughter of David and Leah (Eicher) Wickey, by Bishop Sam C. Graber, July 19.

Adams County, Indiana

Schwartz, Girod - Samuel E., son of Christ R. and Elma Schwartz, Monroe, and Edna J., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Girod, Berne, July 13.

Daviess County, Indiana

Knepp, Graber - Roman, son of Abraham and Wilma Knepp to Fannie, daughter of Simon and Katie Graber, July 27.

Stoll, Graber - Homer, son of Paul and Marie Stoll to Ida Mae, daughter of Abraham and the late Rosanna Graber, July 27.

Lovington, Illinois

Herschberger, Kauffman - Wilmer, son of Joas and Barbara (Schrock) Herschberger to Louise, daughter of Steve and Katie Ann (Yoder) Kauffman.

Hochstetler, Kauffman - Robert, son of Eli and Fannie Hochstetler, Geauga County, Ohio to Bessie, daughter of Fred and Clara (Herschberger) Kauffman.

Kaufman, Schrock - Lewis, son of Andy and Cora (Stutzman) Kaufman to Verna, daughter of Joel and Sovilla (Miller) Schrock, June 5.

Pike County, Missouri

Borntreger, Borntreger - Widower Sam A. Borntreger to

Elizabeth, daughter of the late Ben M. Borntreger, Buchanan County, Iowa, by Benjamin S. Borntreger, Prairie Home, Missouri.

#### Chetek, Wisconsin

Lehman, Miller - Lavern, son of Henry and Elizabeth Lehman to Ella, daughter of Henry and Mary Miller, by Bishop Eli Bontrager, Buchanan County, May 1.

# **ORDINATIONS**

Lycoming County, Pennsylvania

Jonas S. Fisher, 37, #2 Montgomery, Pa., son of Samuel and Katie (Stoltzfus) Fisher, Ronks, Pa., married to Salome, daughter of Christ and Katie (Byler) King, Kinzers, Pa., was ordained minister on April 30. Others in the lot were Bennie Lapp and Isaac King.

Clymer, New York

Andy M. Miller, 35, Clymer, New York, married to Betty A. Byler, was ordained minister, May 11. He is the son of Milo and Lydia Miller, Middlefield, Ohio. There were 5 in the lot with him. Allen A. Byler, 34, Clymer, New York, son of Andy S. Byler,

Allen A. Byler, 34, Clymer, New York, son of Andy S. Byler, Middlefield, Ohio, married to Ada D. Miller, was ordained minister, May 18. There were 3 in the lot with him. His wife is a daughter of Minister Dan Yoder, Middlefield, Ohio.

# **OBITUARIES**

1. Vieleicht ift dies das levte Mal, Daß wir beifammen fein; Gott zählet unfrer Tage Zahl, Lind die ist ja nur klein.

2. Kommt, fingt denn mit vereintem mund Zu unfers Gottes Nuhm; Erneuert unfern Bruderbund Zum wahren Chriftenthum.

3. Wir scheiden in der Fruckt des Herrn; Seh'n wir uns hier nicht mehr, So seh'n wir uns in jener Fern' Dort über'm Sternenheer.

4. Dort treten wir zu feinem Thron, In feiner Engel Schaar, And loben Jesum, Gottes Sohn, Der sein wird, ist und war.

Borkholder, Mark, 2, Michigan

drowned in a river. See obituary.

Surviving are his parents: Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Borkholder, 1 sister, Magdalena, and 1 foster brother, Jimmy. the grandparents are Virgil Yoders, Centreville, Michigan, and Harvey Borkholders, Nappanee, Indiana.

Funeral services were held on Friday, July 18, at 10 A. M.

Blank, Samuel K., 74, #1 Paradise

died at his home at 7:30 P. M. Friday, July 11, following a lengthy illness. He was a retired farmer and a member of the Old Order Amish Church. He was injured in a farm accident 3½ years ago and paralized from his waist down and was in bed most of the time since then.

Surviving is his wife, Rebecca S. (Fisher) Blank. He was born in Upper Leacock Township, the son of the late David and Nancy (King) Blank. Also surviving are two daughter, Sarah, wife of Samuel M. Lapp, Paraguay, and Nancy, wife of Stephen E. Stoltzfus, Bird-in-Hand, and four sons, David F., Leroy F., both of Gordonville #1, Enos F. and Jonas F., both of Paradise #1, 26 grandchildren, one great-grandchild, one step-great-grandchild, two sisters, Hannah K. Zook, Gordonville #1, and Fannie Stoltzfoos, Kinzer #1, and a brother, Daniel K. Blank, Leola #1.

Funeral services were held on July 14, at his home. Preaching by Joe Fisher and Levi H. Fisher. Leid by Jacob King. Burial at Bart Cemetery, Bart, Pa.

Byler, Andrew J. 1, Middlefield, Ohio

died on Sunday, July 20, at his grandmother's. He was the son of Jake and Ida (Yoder) Byler. He was playing in the barn or shed, when a propane gas tank fell on him, crushing his chest. He died instantly.

Surviving are his parents, 1 brother Jacob, and 4 sisters, Katheryn, Emma, Nancy, ??. Grandparents are Andy Bylers, Spartensburg, Pa. and Mrs. Homer E. Yoder. Great-grandparents are Eli Bylers, Mercer County, Pa., Mrs. Elmer Yoder and John Hostetlers.

Funeral services were held Tuesday P. M. July 22, at the home. Burial in Newcomb Rd. Cemetery.

Byler, Isaac Y., 98, New Wilmington, Pa.

died July 3, born October 3, 1881, age 98 years, 9 months. He was first married to Leah R. Byler who died April 11, 1944 at the age of 57 years, 1 month and 17 days. Second marriage to widow Mrs. Lizzie B. (Kurtz) Byler who died December 2, 1969. He died of complications of old age. Was faithfully taken care of at the home of his daughter, David A. Kurtzs.

Funeral services were held at David A. Kurtzs, on July 5. Preaching by Adam J. Byler, Howard, Pa. in the house and by Andy M. Byler in the barn. Pallbearers were David E. Byler,

Menno Troyer, Andy J. B. Byler and Sam A. Byler.

Eash, Levi J., 75, Shipshewana

died Thursday, July 24, at his home from an apparent heart attack. He was born in Plain City, Ohio, September 22, 1904, the son of John H. and Ida (Beachy) Eash. He had resided in the area for 50 years. He was married January 7, 1927 to Mary Mast, who survives.

Also surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Elmer J. (Eash) Lehman, Shipshewana, Mrs. Levi E. (Ada) Bontrager, Millersburg, and Mrs. Joe E. (Esther) Bontrager, Bronson, Mich.; two sons, Daniel, Shipshewana, and Ervin J., Bloomfield, Iowa, 3 sisters, Mrs. Dan G. (Katie) Hochstetler, Topeka, Mrs. Noah B. (Lena) Bontrager and Lucy Eash, both of Millersburg, 3 brothers, Eli, LaGrange, Cornelius, Shipshewana, and Lewis, Ligonier, 29 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Monday at 9:30 A. M. in the family home with Bishop Amos U. Miller and the Rev. Noah Miller

officiating. Burial was in Townline Cemetery.

Helmuth, Jonas E., sohn von Emanuel und Lizzie (Weaver) Helmuth war geboren, August 28, 1898, isht gestorben, July 11, 1980. Alt geworden 81 yore, 10 monat, 12 tag. Wahr verehelicht Matz 12, 1925, zu die Anna Beachy. Lebt in ehestand 49 yore 4 monat und 22 tag. Zu dieser Ehe war geboren 8 sone und 5 tochter. Eli ferheirated zu die Ada Hershberger. Hazleton, Iowa. Emanuel ferheirated zu die Edna Bontrager, Evansville, Wisconsin, Joe ferheirated zu die Susie Mast, Cashton, Wisconsin, Henry ferheirated zu die Shirley Menulty, Brookville, Ohio, Jonas ferheirated zu die Marilyan Potratz, Fairbank, Iowa, Dan ferheirated zu die Mattie Yoder, Hazleton, Iowa, John ferheirated zu die Vera Lapp, Union Town, Ohio, Amanda frau von Wayne Yoder, Hazleton, Iowa, Anna, wife of David Bontrager, Hazleton. Iowa, Mary frau von Eli Raber, Hazleton, Iowa, Lizzie da heim, Ada wit frau von Jonas A. Helmuth, Hazleton, Iowa, wahr ferheirated das zwet mol zu die Cora Yoder, Bontrager, Jan. 11, 1976, lebt in ehestand 4 yore, 6 monat. Hindelast zwet ehe weib, 7 sone, 5 tochter, 1 bruder und 1 schwester, 58 kins kinder, 24 gros kins kinder und viel freund und bekannte. Vater, mutter, erstes weib 2 bruder, 2 schwester, 1 sohn, 4 kins kinder sind faran gegangen.

Hershberger, Abner V., #3 Millersburg

died June 24, at his residence after a long illness. He was born in Holmes County, son of the late Bishop Valentine and Amanda (Nisley) Hershberger and a member of the Old Order Amish

Surviving are his wife, Emma (Weaver) Hershberger, 1 son Daniel of the home, his step mother, Sarah (Yoder) Hershberger, #3, 2 sisters Mrs. Yost J. (Fannie) Miller, Sugarcreek #1, Miss Ella Hershberger, #3 Millersburg, 2 half sisters, Mary Hershberger, #3 and Mrs. Henry (Esther) Erb, Baltic #1, 3 half brothers, Mose, Millersburg #3, Jonas #3, and Alvin, Baltic #1. His first wife Saloma (Yoder) Hershberger, died in 1970, one half sister and one brother died previously.

Keim, Lovina, 91, #2 New Philadelphia

died Sunday morning July 6, at her home after a long illness. She was born in Holmes County, the daughter of the late Jonas and Mattie (Hostetler) Beachy, and was a member of the Old Order Amish. Her husband, Albert J. Keim, died in 1975.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Elmer A. (Irene) Raber, Berlin and Mary, with whom she made her home, three sons, Ervin A. and Albert A. Jr., both of Charm, and Jonas A., Apple Creek, one sister, Mrs. Dan (Katie Ann) Hershberger, Sugarcreek #1, 11 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren. Three sisters and five brothers died previously.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, July 9, at 10 A. M. at the Mose M. Miller residence, Millersburg, #4, with Bishop Melvin A. Raber officiating. Burial was at Mast Cemetery in Clark

Township.

King, infant son, New Holland #2

was stillborn Thursday at Lancaster Osteopathic Hospital. The parents are Elmer J. and Hannah (Smucker Stoltzfus) King.

Surviving besides the parents are the paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse King, #1 Ronks, maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Moses Lapp, #1 Gordonville, maternal great-grandmothers, Lydia G. Smucker, #1 Gordonville and Hannah S. Stoltzfus, #1 Narvon.

Miller, Enos L., 45, Middlefield, Ohio

died June 26, in Cleveland Hospital. He died from cancer. Born in Geauga County, Ohio on December 26, 1934, to Levi Millers, married on January 8, 1959 to Sarah Kauffman, who survives.

Also surviving are 6 sons, Allen, Daniel, Samuel, Enos Jr., David, and Jonas, 2 daughters, Rosa and ??, step-mother, Mrs. Rosa Miller, 3 brothers, Dan, Jonas and Joe, 3 sisters, Maryann, Sadie and Clara, 3 step-sisters, Elizabeth, Fannie and Amelia.

Funeral services were largely attended on Sunday, June 29, preaching at 4 different places. Burial in Johnson Corner

Cemetery.

Miller, Ida, 88, #1 Sugarcreek, Ohio

died Tuesday, July 15, in Pomerene Memorial Hospital at Millersburg, following a one year illness. Born in Holmes County, she was a daughter of Solomon and Sarah (Lenhart) Beechy. She was a life member of Walnut Creek Mennonite Church, where her husband, Rev. Alvin Miller, who died in 1966, had been minister for many years.

Surviving are 2 sons and 4 daughters, James and Mrs. James (Sue) Jaberg, #1 Sugarcreek, Luke and Mrs. Marion (Orpha) Weaver, Walnut Creek, Mrs. Carl (Sarah Frances) Lehman, Bluffton, and Mrs. Fyrne Overley, Nashville, Tenn., a sister, Mrs. Orpha Stoltzfus, Goshen, Indiana, 19 grandchildren, 14 greatgrandchildren. Two sons, six brothers and seven sisters preceded her in death.

Funeral services were held Saturday at 10:30 in Walnut Creek Mennonite Church with Rev. Alvin Kanagy officiating. Burial was in the Mennonite Cemetery.

Miller, Levi L., 66, #1 Berne, Indiana

died Tuesday July 8, at Adams County Hospital of a heart attack. He had not been well since 1970. A resident of Hartville, Ohio, he was born December 16, 1913, the son of Levi A. and Gertrude (Weaver) Miller. On June 17, 1940 he was married to Rosie Schwartz who survives.

Also surviving are 4 sons, Elmer, Berne, Emanuel and Joe, Monroe, Levi Jr., at home. Four daughters, Mrs. Andy J. (Martha) Hilty, Mrs. Martin A. (Elizabeth) Hilty, both of Monroe, Mrs. Jerome A. (Bertha) Hilty, Berne and Gertie, at home. Also two brothers, John and Enos, Hartville, Ohio, two sisters, Mrs. Joe E. (Delilah) Schwartz, Berne, and Mrs. Martin (Lizzie) Herschberger, Hartville, Ohio and 36 grandchildren. One daughter, Mary, one brother and two sisters preceded him in death.

Funeral services were held at his residence, July 10, in shed by Veron Weaver, LaGrange. In barn by Bishop Henry K. Hilty and Bishop Sim Hilty. Burial was in Schwartz cemetery.

Miller, John, 76, Middlefield, Ohio

died July. He was married to Katie Miller.

Surviving besides his wife are two sons and four daughters. Burial in Miller cemetery.

Miller, Levi F., 80, Middlefield, Ohio

died Saturday evening, June 21, from heart failure, age 80 continued on page 26

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# Alten Glaubens Articlen und Dienner Beschluß

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Befoupe ju Soffingen - 1630

Ordungs Brief oder Abred, auf den 10ten Tag des Weinmonats anno 1630, find die Schweizerbrüder des Schweizerlandes bev einander gewesen bei Hoffingen, in der finsteren, Thäler, und haben sich miteinander erspragt, beredt und vereinbaret, der Ordung des Evengesiums in der Gemein Gottes, nach saut der alten Brüder Erkenntniß, und angegeben, besser aufzuwachen, daran zu hasten und sorge zu tragen wo eiwas versäumt worden wäre.

- 1. Wo ein Bruder ober Schwefter eine öffentliche Sünd begeht, Gott wolle es verhüten, Die follen öffentlich gestraft werden.
- 2. Wenn Jemand Trübfal halber wegziehen wolfte daß (es) ihnen nicht gestattet werde, ohne Gottliche Arsac.
- 3. Daß sich keiner foll von Obrigkeitlichen Rechten treiben lassen auch keine koften auf Jemand treiben wus Soulden Geld betrifft.
- 4. Daß ein angesteelter Diener der ein gut Zeugniß hat und vertraut ist bevm Bolk der mag wohl das Brotbrechen, Taufen und die Ehen zusammen geben, strafen und Aufschliefen, wo fonst kein bestädigter Diener vorhanden wäre der etwa burch Arfac verhindert worden.

Abgeschrieben 1733 nochmals 1774.

Noomals abgeschrieben von Christian Güngerich zu Hunghaufen 1789 den 1 ten Man. Nochmals 1800. Noomals 1820

Diefer Ordnungs Briefe habe ich von Frederich Hagi an der Märtens Krick in Ohio erhalten und abgeschrieben im Jahr 1860 und seinem Sohn in Towa zurück gegeben. Abgeschrieben von mir Jacob Schwarzendruber.

Der obige schreiber Jacob Schwarzendruber war geboren im Jahr 1800 zu Mengeringhausen wohl eine Stunde wegs von obgemeldeten Hünighausen Waldeck Teutschland, und ist gestorben im Jahr 1868 am 5 ten Juni in Johnson County, Towa.

Friederich Schwarzendruber.

Dieser setter Sat ist wie zu ersehen, von meinem Bater Fr Schwarzendruber hinzugefügt zu meines Großvaters Jacob Schwarzendruber seiner abschrift. Ich habe dies forgfältig abgeschrieben von Großvaters abschriften, nur daß Ich bin und da ein Wort eingeklammt hinzufügte um es etwas verständlicher zu machen nach der jedigen Schreibart sonst ist es wörtlich nach der vorschrift, ohne daß hin oder da möchte ein fehler eingeschlichen sein.

Ich benke die obige Solusbemerkungen und die mehrste Datum der Abschriften beziehen sich mehrsten theils auf beide vorgehende Verordnungs Briefe.

Jucob F. Schwarzendruber 1897, Februar,

Befolüße zu Effingen - 1779

Ordnungs Brief ober Abred der Diener und Rellesten aus vielen Landen und Orten in der Bersammlung zu Effingen bev der Stadt Landau den 21 ten Wintermonat im Jahr 1779.

(Hans Naftiger war vermuthlich zur zeit am Bölligen Dienft an obigen Ort.)

- 1. Was die Chriftlichen Glaubens=Artikel anbelangt wie Unfere Altväter im Märterbuch oder Blutigem Schauplat im ersten Buch, die lette Bekenntniße von 33 Artikel bekannt und zugestanden sind, also hatler wir dieselbige dem Wort Gottes und der Christlichen Ordnung Gemäß, und sollt sich ein Jedes besleißen dieselbige wohl zu betrachten, und nach zu kommen.
- 2. Von der Menschen werdung Christi halber solle mon ber Heiliger Schrift bleiben, wie Ihn Paulus bezeuget: ein Sohn Gottes nach dem Geist und ein Sohn Davids nach dem Fleisch, und wie Ihn Petrus bekennt: ein Sohn des lebendigen Gottes, und so viel möglich ist daß unnötigen Disputiren verhüten und enthalten, mit dem bescheid wie Paulus uns vermahnt: Rechenschaft unsres Mandens zu geben den der Grund fordert.
- 3. So sich ein Bruder oder mehrere mit anfahung oder mit aufsehnung wieder die Diener und Aeltesten unruh anzurichten auflehuten fo follten folde nach Art bes Evengeliums abgestraft merden und ihr verleumden und hinterreden von feinen Brüder ober Sowestern ange= nommen, fondern auf die Ordnung gewiesen werden wann aber eine wichtige Arface ware, follten Sie nach Christlider Liebe und Ordnung zuerst Thren Dienern und Acktosten in Threr Gemeinde anzeigen. Könnte es uber nicht zur Ruh und Friede gebracht werden, dann erst die Diener und Resteften in Threr nächsten Gemeinden vongebracht werden. Sollten fie aber auch nicht können einig werden foll jede Parthei erlaubt sien sich zu unsern Glaubens Gemeinden und derfelben Diener zu wenden, zu welchen fie Thr vertrauen haben, und dann zu beiden feiten gelassen stehen, nach unpartheischer erkenntniß, sich zu untergeben.
- 4. Wann eine Gemeinde durch absterben der Diener oder durch andere Ursachen entblöst worden, daß sie kein Diener mehr hätten, follten die Diener in der Nächsten Gemein dieselbe bedienen und beforgen bis zur Weiterer auftunft, auf daß nicht Jemand möchte versäumt werden.
- 5. Sollten die Aclteften der Gemeinde, durckziehen, und alle Mängel besehen, und mit dem Wort des Herrn such die Gemeinden allenthalben, wann es senn kann mit Aeltesten besehen.

Mit Thuen follen auch ziehen Junge, oder neuanges ordnete Diener oder Aeltesten damit sie in der Saushaltung, in der Gemein des Herrn möchten unterwiesen werden.

- 6. Sollten die Diener und Aeltesten ihren Dienst der ihnen von dem Herrn und seiner Gemein aufgelegt ist, nicht in Hoffart oder Hochmuth sondern in der Riedrigkeit und Demuth, mit ernst und großer Sargsalt getreulich bedienen nach Art des Heiligen Evengeliums und nichts neues oder ungewöhnliches einfüren damit sie nicht in der Einfalt von Christi möchten verrückt werden.
- 7. Es foll sich kein Bruder in Kaufen, Bauen oder sonft großen Handthierungen oder unnöthigen wucher= handel ergeben ohne Rath und wiffen oder bewillig der Brüder und Aeltesten.
- 8. Wann ein Bruder oder Schwester sich verehlichen wollte soll es mit vorwiffen und bewilligung der Diener und Acttesten geschehen und wo es füglich ist Thre Acttern davon sagen oder wiffen lassen. Diese verhelichung aber soll im dem Herrn geschehen und nicht mit der Welt.
- 9. Sollte die Meidung gebraucht werden an allen dicienig die die Wahrheit des Evengeliums und die Brüderschaft verlassen, daß den Namen Gottes und die Bruderschaft möchte (schande) zugefügt werden derentshalben begehren wir daß man sich aller abgefallenen entziehe mit aller Maß und Bescheidenheit nach Grund der Apostel.
- 10. Sollte ein Bruder oder Schwester ein Jedes Andre (seines gleichen) entpfahen mit dem Ruß des Herrn. Die aber nicht aufgenommen sind soll ein Bruder oder Schwester nicht mit dem Ruß entfahe sondern fagen, der Herr komme dir zu hülfe.
- 11. Begehren wir daß man der Armen auch Wittwen und Weisen eingedenk seien, und versarget möchten werden und in ausziehung der Waisen kein unterschied gemacht werden sondern dermaßen wie Kinder nach Christlicher Art und Bäterlicher Liebe möchten auser=30gen werden. Damit ein Jedes sich der Bäterlicher Treue und Christlicher Liebe erfreuen möge.
- 12. Alle Mißbräuche als Tabadrauchen oder Schnup= pen und dergleichen follen unterlaffen werden.
- 13. Alle Diesenigen die den Bart mit dem Schermesser, oder dergleichen abmachen, sollen gewarnt und abgemarht werden, so sie es nicht unterlassen, mit dem Bahn gestrast werden, auch das Haupt-Haar nach der unordentlichen Weltweiß auf dem Kopf geschoren, soll (Bänzlich unterlassen werden.
- 14. In Kleidung foll keine Hoffart gebraucht werden sondern. sich der niedrigkeit und Damuth befleißen, wie es auch schon im Artikel Brief von Jahr 1752 unterscheiden und (für gut) erkannt worden ist Insonderheit die dreveckigen Halfdücker Seiden und (Glatten flöhr, oder Kappen geblumten oder Scheckigen Kleider, oder Räfducker (oder Schnupsthücker) Blaue oder Rothe farben. Studige hoche absätze (an schuh) die unnöthigen und nach der Weltweise und Hoffärtige Schuh, Stiefel und dergleichen.
- 15. Ruechte und Mägde so Brüder und Schwerftern find follen vor andern Dienftboten aufgenommen werden, und fil follen fich nich zu andern aus Wlaubensgenoffen verbingen.

16. Sollen alle Diener und Aeltesten besser auswachen in der Lehr und vermahnung in Tauf und Abendmahl, in der Christlichen Ordnung, und bestrasen nach Inhalt des Evengeliums besser aufsicht zu haben wan dann ein Diener in seiner Gemein nicht könnte durch kommen sollte Er um hülse rusen, in andern Gemeinden ist Ihm hülse versprochen.

(unterschrieben von den Dienern aus den verschiedenen Gemeinden wie folgt)

Münbelgarder (or Müpfelgard) Gemein, Sanz Richen, Sanz Roth. Münftraler Gemein, Peter Kloppenstein, Michale Müller, Weinberger Gemein, Peter Kufmann, Kolmerer Gemein, hans Roph, Niklaus Blank, Bent Studi, Markirder Gemein, Jacob Bachmann, Seinrich Goldschmied, Salmer Gemein, Hanz Rubi, Jacob Rupferschmied, Strüter Gemein, Chriftian Raffpiger, Ridlaus Scherb, Zwevbruder Gemein, Jacob Dattwei= ler, Jacob Bachmann, Andres Leuenberger, Friefburger Gemein, Micael Tschantz, Tsaat Hochstatler, Chriftian Jodder, Effinger Gemein, Hanz Naftiger, Chriftian Erismann, Münfter Gemein, Chriftian Jodder, Chrift= ian Güngerich, Lutringer Gemein, Nicklaus Güngerich, Joseph Gaffer, Hochstätter Gemein, Chriftian Schenk, Sank Immhof, Jacob Ulmann, Peter Naffpiger, Darmstatter Gemein, Chriftian Nafpiger, Peter Naffp= iger, Weilburger Gemein, Sang Raffpiger, Peter Tidant, Waldeder Gemein, Chriftian Gungerich, Sant Schwarzendruber, Durlacher Gemein, Jacob Egly (79 jahr alt), Straßbürger Gemein, Christian Rupp, Sochbürger Gemein, Jacob Müller,

(In all 39 Diener von 19 Gemeinden)

Dieser verordnungs-brief ist im Jahr 1809 ben 21 ten März von Christian Güngerich abschrieben welcher war (wohnhaft) in der Waldeckischen Gemein zu Süngeringhausen nahe bei der Residenz Stadt Arrisen und war auch bei der obigen versammlung gegenwärtig.

Noomals abgeschrieben durch Jacob Schwarzendruber, welcher, ift im Jahr 1833 in Amerika gezogen mit Frau und Kinder von seinem geburtort aus, bin geboren zu Mengeringhausen, Waldest Deutschland.

Abgeschrieben am 14 ten Januar 1837.

Sorgfaltig abgeschrieben am 19 ten Februar 1897 ohne veränderugn, mit aufnahme der eingeklammerten Worter welche Ich hinzu gefügt habe.

Jacob F. Schwarzendruber.

Roch zu bemerken, Es scheint mir die Versaßer von diesem Ordnungs-Brief hatten den Ordnungs-Brief von Jahr 1568 vor sich da er an mehreren Pläpe beinah wort für wort mit jenem stimmt: wie zu besehen der 9 ten Artikel von diesem stimmt genau mit dem 10 ten von jenem, und der 10ten von diesem stimmt mit dem 11 ten von jenem u, d, z, mehr.

More Swartzentruber collections to follow



Another addition to

# "Grandpa's Reading" Series SELECTED REPRINTS FROM THE BOOKS OUR GRANDFATHER'S READ

Submitted by the Amos Huyard Family

# INTRODUCTION

Our senior readers may well remember the time that continued articles were published in the Pennsylvania Farmer. Outstanding and perhaps best remembered is "The Big Smoke Mountain." Once started following this article a reader did not want to let his farm paper expire before it was thoroughly read.

Over the past few years, Big Smoke Mountain was revived after resting for nearly 40 years. The Huyard family had preserved every run except two. After an appeal in the Budget for someone who could supply the missing articles it was found that many more people have cut out and pasted up the article. Some say that they had a complete set but can't find them. Strange enough many were short of the same runs that were missing on the request. By luck the Huyards have now located the complete set.

Rebecca Huyard, a school teacher, has taken these gems to school and read them to her children at intervals as time afforded. The stories caught the attention of the children and soon they were shared with other school teachers. In that way Big Smoke Mountain was revived again and is now quite alive.

The increasing interest for this reading justified a reprint in the minds of a number of school teachers who were now looking for a publisher. The article may last nearly a year, depending how much space the Diary can contribute to it.

While the text of the narritive may be more secular than religious it does teach some moral standards. We present it in an historical aspect, to reveal pioneer life on the southwest uncivilized front, that it may hopefully blend in with Diary reading.

CHAPTER 1

The soft afternoon sunshine, tinged with autumn's gold, was flooding the gray prairie, bringing out in strong relief a green island of live-oaks set in the midst of a sea of grass. Half hid in the shade of the patch of woods, the low log cabin of a settler squatted among the trees. From all the surrounding prairie the myriad voices of grasshoppers floated upward, rising and falling, a great, sizzling chorus.

A black-haired, olive-complexioned woman, with a dreamy, far-away look in her dark eyes, sat in the cabin door sewing a buckskin shirt. Outside, in the corner of the stick-and-mud chimney, several small dark-haired children were playing, chattering to one another softly. Fifty yards from the cabin a fresh horse-hide had been pegged to the ground, flesh side up, and stretched like a drumhead; and a shaggy, fierce-looking dog was gnawing a scanty dinner from its smooth surface. In the shade of a spreading-topped live-oak, not far from the dog, a boy with a big spoon, a piece of lead and a pair of molds was busy over a fire of twigs, molding bullets.

The boy was a little knot of a fellow, in appearance about twelve years old, but really fifteen. His shirt and pantaloons were of buckskin, both noticeably the worse for wear. On his head was a wolfskin cap, with a rather wide "bill" of rawhide, to shade his eyes.

As the little fellow squatted by the fire, holding the iron spoon in the blaze to melt the lead, an observer would have found it difficult to guess what particular race he belonged to. He had jet-black hair, small black eyes, very bright and wide-awake, and a face burned brown by the sun, but still fair enough to show numerous freckles. Something in his appearance suggested that he might be a Mexican; but his quick, decided movements and alert look bespoke a different race.

As a matter of fact, he combined three very distinct races. On his mother's side he had descended from both the Aztec and the Spaniard. But his father, David Pegg, was an American of the purest Anglo-Saxon breed.

After molding all the lead, the boy gathered up his bullets from the ground, where he had dropped them to cool, thrust them into an ammunition bag and carried them into the house. He left the bag hanging

against the wall, on the deer-horn rack where his father's flintlock rifle always rested when not in use. Soon he came out again with a basket in his hand.

"Where have you started, Thally?" his mother looked up from sewing to inquire, in soft, musical Spanish.

"To Mr. Wheeler's, to git Oscar to go with after pecans," was the reply, in English.

The woman understood both languages, but seldom spoke anything except Spanish. Her husband liked English better, and commonly made use of that. The younger children spoke Spanish to their mother and English to their father. But the boy rarely used a word of anything but English to anybody who understood that tongue. Half American by birth, he was already wholly American in his sympathies and ways.

To his homely surname of Pegg were prefixed half a dozen fore names, every one with a distinctly Spanish sound. One of these was Gonzalez, which his mother, priding herself on her Spanish blood, always pronounced Gonthaleth. This name the boy's father had, with American brevity, shortened to Zally. The mother had finally accepted the nickname, though reluctantly, and not till she had changed it to Thally. But the boy himself always gave his name as Zally Pegg; and by that name he was known to their scattering American neighbors in this part of the colony.

"Don't stay out too late," the mother cautioned, still in Spanish. "Your father and Senor Wheeler may kill another wild horse; and if they do you will be needed to help hang up the meat. And beware of the Indians. The Carancahuas could slip in among us without anybody's knowing it. And those terrible Comanches will be sure to come sooner or later. I am always featful when you are away from home. It's dangerous enough here."

"Oh, I'll keep my eyes open, mammy," was the careless reply, again in English. "I'll git back as soon as I can, just as soon as we can fill our baskets."

He started off, but something prompted him to turn and add, in the tongue that his mother loved best:

"Adios, madre mia! No tenga miedo por mi." (Goodbye, mother! Don' worry about me.)

He afterwards recalled that he had said this, in Spanish, and was glad. It would be long ere he saw his mother and his home again.

Following a dim road, Zally set out across the prairie toward another live-oak grove, where lived the Wheeler family, their nearest neighbors. He was whistling gaily. Coming events did not cast their shadows before on the beautiful October afternoon. Tonk, the dog, soon left off gnawing at the horse-hide and followed him.

The year of 1822. The country was Texas, then a province of Mexico, and an almost unbroken wilderness. The Peggs and the Wheelers were part of Austin's colony, the first American settlement in the province. They lived between the Colorado and the Brazos rivers, but nearer the Colorado, and about two days' travel from the Gulf of Mexico.

Sometime before this - in 1820 - Moses Austin, a native of

Connecticut, but for many years a resident of Missouri, had made the long journey through the wilderness to San Antonio, where he obtained, through the governor of the province, authority from the Mexican government to settle three hundred American families in Texas. Austin himself had died soon after his return home, from the exposure and hardships of his journey. But his son, Stephen F. Austin, had taken up the father's work as empresario (contractor, or colonizer). On New Year's day of 1822 young led them overland from New Orleans. Since then other immigrants had come, some by land and more by water, till the colony now numbered a few hundred souls, in several scattering settlements.

The Wheelers had arrived by way of the Gulf, having landed at Matagorda bay in April. But David Pegg, Zally's father, was not one of the newcomers. He had already lived in the country twenty years. His first appearance here had been with a party of traders. While in the Mexican settlement at Goliad — the only respectable settlement in the province except San Antonio — he had fallen in love with a pretty Mexican girl and married her. Since then he had lived there among the Mexicans, farming a little, hunting a great deal, and catching some wild horses. But when the Americans began to straggle in he had promptly moved over, with his Mexican wife and half-Mexican children, and cast his lot with the little colony.

He was a reckless, "harum-scarum" fellow, or had been. But because of his long acquaintance with the country, his skill as a hunter and his knowledge of the makeshift ways of a wilderness settlement, the newcomers, and especially the Wheelers, had found him a very useful neighbor.

After crossing the prairie, Zally entered the live-oak grove where the Wheelers lived. A low rail fence enclosed the house and half an acre or more of ground. The house was of logs, being two good-sized rooms with a covered porch, or entry, between. There was a little farm in a valley beyond.

"How do you do, Zally? Come in!"

The boy had halted at the fence, and this greeting and invitation had come from a girl of twelve years, as she walked out upon the porch.

"Howdy, Elsie!" he returned, rather bashful. For he was half afraid of American girls in general, and more than half afraid of bright little Elsie Wheeler.

"Come on in," invited the girl again, after Zally had jumped the fence She was not at all bashful.

"Hain't got much time, I guess. Where's Oscar?"

Elsie glanced over her shoulder. "Back at the mortar, beating corn for apper and breakfast."

supper and breakfast."

Zally went round the house. In the back yard he found the object of his search, a brown-haired, blue-eyed boy a little larger but somewhat younger than himself. Oscar Wheeler was standing on the edge of a big live-oak stump, at least a yard high and nearly a yard in diameter. The center of

hammered the corn. This was the best substitute for a mill that the colony much like an old-fashioned well sweep. The far end of the pole was shelled corn. In the fork of a nearby tree a long pole was pivoted on a peg, for a pestle. As Oscar worked the sweep up and down the end of the pestle weighted, and to the near end was fastened a piece of hard, heavy timber the stump, was a hollowed-out cavity, which now contained a peck or so of

eating wild horses. All who had arrived early enough had planted corn, which was now mature. There would be plenty of grain to bread the colony retreated to the Indian-infested country, the colonists had been killing and their rifles. But since the usual game, from being much hunted, had tor at least a year. At first they had lived on venison and similar meats, brought down with brought to the country with them, they had been without bread altogether. For a few months, after using up the limited supply of flour and meal The beaten meal was very coarse, but the settlers counted it a luxury

and finer. As the boys worked they talked. moved, the pestle striking the big, white grains and crushing them finer work the sweep. Up and down, up and down, up and down the long pole of the stump, caught hold of the pestle with both hands, and began to help After a few words Zally, dropping his basket, sprang upon the other side

out the meal did Zally mention what he had come for. Not till the corn was pretty well beaten and they were thinking of taking

answered, with very evident regret. Oscar looked uncomfortable. "I - I don't s'pose I can "I brought my basket. Let's go over to Bee Branch and gether pecans." go,"

many as we want to carry." "Why not?" demanded the little halfbreed. "We can soon gether as

"I'd like to - the best kind, Zally. But mother won't - won't let me."

"Why won't she let you?"

"I don't know - that is, I don't like to tell."

reason till the embarrassed Oscar finally answered: "Don't like to tell?" Zally looked bewildered, but he kept demanding a

"Mother says I mustn't play with you anymore."

and their friendship had never known the slightest interruption until now. started home. Oscar was too much embarrassed to look at him, much less to call him back. The two boys had been such good friends from the first; but gradually his amazement gave place to a hurt, crushed look. Now he Zally stood staring, amazed at the announcement. He said not a word,

empresario, had attended the same school, in New London, during their family had come to make their home in this far-distant colony. boyhood. And it was due to a friendship thus formed that the Connecticuhere they had always lived in town. Oscar's father and Austin, the The Wheelers were from Connecticut, and up till the time of coming out

traveled not a little, having made one voyage to Europe with his parents two years earlier, before his father had failed in business. The little Oscar had been much in school. He had also read many books and had

> things that Oscar knew least of but was eager to learn. and he was an expert in hunting and trapping and fishing - the very customs of all the friendly Indians round about, were well known to him; prairies like a book. The natures and habits of wild animals, and the and knew scarcely a letter of the alphabet. But he could read the woods and him of the rest of the world. Zally himself had never seen a schoolhouse halfbreed, the greatest event in whose life had been in trip to that city in the wilderness, San Antonio, never tired of hearing what Oscar could tell

each other very much. from despising each other's ignorance, really looked up to and admired England schools and libraries and the little wilderness half-Mexican, so far want to do and cannot. So it came about that the boy from the New The things we can do are never half so wonderful to us as the things we

dejection. So thought the woman in the door as she watched him. In chin was almost on his breast. Indeed, he looked like a walking picture of separating the two she had thought only of her own boy's welfare. But now her sympathies went out in spite of her to the heartbroken little fellow on As Zally started round the house, slowly, his eyes were downcast, and his

"Good afternoon, Zally!"

as much on her account as on Oscar's. Impulsively he started toward her. The fact that she had forbidden him to play with her son hurt him almost kindly, sympathetic smile on it. At this he took courage. He had always liked Oscar's mother, who from the first had been very kind to the shy boy. The boy looked up quickly, to meet Mrs. Wheeler's motherly face, with a

"Oh, Mis' Wheeler, why can't I play with Oscar anymore? Is it because

I'm a Mexican? I'm only half Mexican.

you and him." unless I have to. But I'm told you swear - swear frightfully. If you're going to teach my boy bad habits, the only thing I can do is to separate the world to do with it. I'm sorry to keep you and Oscar apart. I won't "No, it isn't, Zally - far from it. Your Mexican blood hasn't a thing in

cuss because I do. "Mis' Wheeler, that won't hurt Oscar - me cussin'. He don't have to

than he is, you know. And we're all apt to grow like the people we associate "No, he doesn't have to, but he will, I'm afraid. You're a year older

business to go and do like a backwoods chap like me.' That's what I'd say usin' arry cuss-word, I'd say, 'Oscar, you jist stop that! You hain't got no "But Oscar won't grow like me. I won't let 'im. If I was to hear him

assurance that Oscar shall not hear bad language, he'll have to more influence that precept - than teaching. Unless I have some Mrs. Wheeler smiled. "That would be very nice of you. But example has

little halfbreed. "I've al'ays lived away out here, and hain't never been to "Mis' Wheeler, you oughtn't to expect too much of me," protested the

a chance to git some ejjication, like Oscar and the other American boys. anywheres they mighty soon built a schoolhouse there; and maybe I'll have chance. That's why we moved over here. He says when the Americans come know. I heared 'im tell mammy I'd be a purty peert boy if I jist had half a me - I hain't never had no show. Pap say so hisself, and he ought to school none, and I hain't never had no show. That's what's the matter with

"Well, I certainly hope you will, Zally," encouraged Mrs. Wheeler.

do, how'm I ever to learn to be somebody?" 'sociate with Injuns and Mexicans and folks that don't know any more'n I somebody, mighty had; but the trouble is, I don't know how. If I've got to somebody in the world. And I'm willin' - the willin'est kind. I want to be his very words, Mis' Wheeler. Says he wants me to git a ejjication and be don't want me to grow up and be a no-'count, onery cuss like him. Them's "Pap says he had a good show when he was a boy, back in Georgy," Zally went on rapidly. "But he was sich a big fool he wouldn't take it. Says he run away from home and went traipsin' all over the country. Says he

the bright, black eyes and sunburnt, freckled face upturned to The woman stood on the edge of the puncheon-porch, looking down into hers so

eagerly. Her beart warmed toward the little halfbreed. "I know I'm purty bad, but I ain't half as bad as I used to be," Zally

heap faster'n Oscar's gittin bad." don't cuss at all unless I git mad. I'm gittin' better jist as fast as I can bashfulness. "Before I got to goin' with Oscar, I cussed all the time. Now I began again. Carried away by his subject, he had forgotten his "I'm certainly glad to hear that, Zally. I don't think you're so bad

and your little sisters, and he says you never tell lies. If you will promise me speaks very highly of you. He tells me you're specially nice to your mother to leave off your protane language, you may go on just as you have been." Aside from that one bad habit, I'm told you're a pretty good boy. Oscar

hold it in. If I made a promise, jist like as not I'd break it the first day. long, every time I git mad it jist busts right out in spite of all I can do Zally's eyes fell. "Wisht I could, Mis' Wheeler. But I've been cussin' so

He stood looking gloomily down at his bare, brown feet. But presently

his face came up, bright with a new idea.

all right, won't it?"? Oscar won't know what it means, and it won't be cussin' to him. That'll be American talk, and jist as fast, too. And it helps my feelin' jist as much cussin' in Spanish. I can cuss jist as hard in Mexican talk as I can in "Mis' Wheeler, I know what!" he exclaimed, eagerly. "I'll do all my

pagan. She only smiled, very kindly, and shook her head The woman was undecided whether to laugh or to cry over the little

playing with Oscar. You can't have both the words were oaths. No: you'll have to choose between your cursing "That won't quite do, Zally," she replied. "Oscar would soon learn that

Again the boy looked down, thoughtfully. Soon came another idea.

run off by myself and cuss a while. But I won't let Oscar hear me. And "Mis' Wheeler, I'll tell you what. If I git so mad I jist cain't hold in, I'll

> can quit by - by - next spring. That'll do, won't it?" I'm goin' to quit cussin' for good jist as soon as ever I can. Guess maybe I

with that understanding you and Oscar may play together as usual. But "Well, it's not just what I'd like; but I believe I'll accept that, Zally."

with me to gether pecans?" "I won't, Mis' Wheeler. You needn't be afraid. And now can Oscar go

from Connecticut, had joined Zally's. following them. Rover, Oscar's dog, which he had brought all the way supply of nuts for the winter. So Mrs. Wheeler readily gave her permission. The boys were soon starting, each with a basket on his arm. Two dogs were With food none too plentiful, it was important that they lay in a

"You'd better look out! The Cronks will carry you off and eat you!"

Elsie called after them, from the porch.

already killed a few of them. They were cannibals. tribe of Indians living along the Texas coast. They were not on the warpath, but were sullenly resentful of the coming of the whites, and had The Cronks -so shortened by the settlers from Carancahaus -

here," Oscar called back, gaily, as the boys hurried on. "They're too busy fishing and catching alligators to come away up

among the branches and shook them. up into a tree-top to bring down the pecans; but oftener they climbed down there, filling their baskets. Sometimes they hurled sticks and stones numerous pecan trees, all well loaded with nuts; and the boys were soon creek, where banks were fringed with timber. Mingled with the timber were A mile from home they looked down from a prairie ridge upon a small

at anytime, and especially in nut time. down. Both were laughing and talking gaily. It is a great thing to be a boy about among the branches, shaking and threshing till the nuts showered now almost full, and from this tree they expected to fill them. They moved Not long before sunset they climbed their last tree, their baskets were

Zally said, presently. They listened, "What are the dogs makin' such a rip-roarin' to-do about, I wonder?" and soon heard

approaching.

"Just a bunch of wild horses they're barking at," replied Oscar, carelessly. "If father and Mr. Pegg had come over here, they might have found a horse fat enough for meat. I wish I had a longer stick

grunted a grunt of satisfaction. shield, and evidently on the warpath. He halted under the pecan tree and looked up. His hideous, painted face leered at them brush rode a half-naked Indian warrior, armed with bow and lance and Here he glanced down, and the words froze in his mouth. For out of the exultantly, and

was so terrified that he clutched the limbs to keep from falling were paralyzed and their very blood frozen with horror. Oscar, especially Not a word or sound did the two boys in the tree-top utter. Their tongues

emerged from the bushes, and then another

another in their own tongue. The dogs, keeping some yards away, were still up at the terrified pair, and sometimes uttering a few gutteral words to one another, till eight armed and mounted savages were under the tree, gazing

men had formed a ring around the tree with their horses, and he found chance to escape. But by the time he had dropped to the ground the red slow to comply at first, until the Indian raised his long-handled lance himself completely surrounded. limb to limb his little black eyes were darting everywhere, seeking some threateningly. Then Zally came fast enough. As he swung himself from Soon one of the warriors beckoned to Zally to come down. The boy was

escaping out of a trap. little halfbreed suddenly dived under a horse and darted away, like a rabbit One of the Indians now dismounted and started to seize Zally. But the

the pursuit. From his perch on a limb Oscar watched the chase with warrior, dropping his spear and letting his horse go, started first and led fascinated horror. After him dashed two of the savages, on horse-back. But the dismounted

and the savage had him gripped fast. toward the pecan tree. But it was all to no purpose. A few terrific bounds, dodged round a tree-trunk, then doubled on his course, running back Finding himself about to be captured, the hard-pressed little fugitive the Indian's long ones. The warrior was soon at his heels, reaching for him. Zally was a swift runner for his size, but his short legs were no match for

dropped to the ground, impaled on the weapon and dead. by one of the mounted indians, struck him in the side, and brave old Tonk brute lunged at the savage again. Just as the dog leaped, a lance, hurled striking him with his buffalo-hide shield. But with a roar of rage the fierce throat. The Indian, holding his captive with one hand, hurled the dog off, his master's assistance. Rushing up, he sprang fiercely at the savage's Scarcely had the warrior seized Zally when Tonk, Zally's dog, charged to

back and let fly at the dog. The arrow hit the mark, but rather high. It distance. One of the mounted Indians put on arrow in his bow, drew it far Rover turned and fled for home, yelping at every jump. feathered shaft protruding on one side and the steel spike on the other passed under the skin and remained sticking in the dog's back, with the Rover, Oscar's dog, was barking noisily; but being less bold, he kept at a

close to the boy's face and roared out something in his own tongue. Zally what would happen if he tried to escape again. understood not one word of it. But he easily interpreted it as a threat of holding him by the hair, the Indian put his big, painted, hideous face down several times, first on one side of the head and then on the other. Then, The dogs out of the way, the savage that had seized Zally slapped him

The warrior then caught him up, roughly, and set him astride a horse

his pecan limb, fifteen or twenty feet above the ground. When they made The party now turned their attention to Oscar, who was still perched on

> and one leg. How the boy kept from shrieking aloud in his terror he never he was only set on a horse behind an Indian, as Zally had been. knew. He shut his eyes, expecting that his brains would be dashed out. But lowest limb when the dismounted warrior seized him roughly by one arm signs to him, he came down trembling. Scarcely had he dropped from the

behind another, and all skulking in the shelter of the woods that skirted the Now the little band of savages started, in a string, one riding close

to a captivity that might well make the strongest man shudder. and happy as any two boys in the world, were now prisoners, on their way came about that the two boys who, fifteen minutes before, had been as free All these exciting events had taken place in a very short time. Thus it

down upon woodland and prairie, hiding the movements of the cunning But for the most part they pursued their way in silence. Soon night shut utter a tew sounds, or grunts, which were doubtless words in their tongue. Sometimes, as they hurried along, one or another of the savages would

one who has never been in such a situation can imagine, even a small part dazed by what had happened to think coherently. But gradually he came to helpless in his despair, like a mouse under the paws of a cat. in captivity, accustomed to the peaceful ways of civilization, was almost this, only had his senses sharpened by the present peril. But his companion of its horror. Zally, born and brought up in the midst of dangers similar to realize the full horror of the situation. And no words can describe, and no For a while Oscar, sitting on the horse behind his savage, was too much

any chance to escape would present itself, he would be quick to see it. Zally was very much on the alert. His sharp eyes were noting everything. If halfbreed was riding behind the next Indian ahead. So far from despairing, While daylight lingered Oscar had glanced often toward Zally. The little

day to be known as Colorado, Kansas and Oklahoma. And horse-stealing to be at peace with their neighbors very long. For many they had troubled the little colony. But they were too fierce and too fond of occasionally forced their way even farther north. This was the first time extensive regions in New Mexico and in the then nameless wilderness some grounds almost the whole of what is now the state of Texas, together with numerous and warlike tribe. These latter Indians had for their hunting fish-catching, man-eating Carancahuas, but of the Comanches, a far more As the two captives had yet to learn, they were in the hands, not of the they

years, perhaps for many centuries, they had been preying upon inhabitants of Mexico. And now the American colonists had begun to their ferocity.

Soon after nightfall the war-party left Bee Branch and set off across the prairie, under cover of the darkness. They rode swiftly, but noiselessly, first in one direction and then in another. They were scouring the settled country in quest of horses to steal.

It was not long till they came upon a little bunch of nearly a dozen head. These they promptly rounded up and pushed along before them. Later, from time to time during the night, they found other horses, which they added to the drove. These were not mustangs, or wild horses, but the domestic animals of the colonists.

Some of the stolen stock were hard to drive. However, these Indians were expert in managing horses, and soon reduced most of the rebellious animals to subjection. But one horse broke away from them again and again until, in their savage rage, they shot half a dozen arrows into him and left him lying on the ground dying.

The Comanches knew the country well, and kept winding back and forth from settlement to settlement. Several times during the night the captives heard dogs barking and roosters crowing. Once they noticed a light in the distance, doubtless at some colonist's cabin. And once they passed so close as to detect the outlines of a cabin itself. Help was so near, and yet so far.

By midnight the drove of stolen horses had swelled to a hundred or more, and the savage drivers were pushing them along at a lively gait. Oscar, clinging to the big Comanche in front of him, had only a vague idea at any time as to what direction they were moving. But Zally, who noticed everything, became aware at length that the Indians had changed their course and were now traveling hard toward the northwest. They had finished their raid and were making off into the wilderness.

Daylight dawned at last, and found the Comanches hurrying their stolen drive on, over all sorts of country, sometimes at a trot, but oftener at a gallop. The horses being ridden were breathing hard and dripping sweat; and so were many of those in the drove. But the marauders, doubtless fearing pursuit, urged them on without mercy, prodding them along with their spears. One mare in the drove finally gave out and refused to go farther. She was promptly speared to death.

Not till some time in the afternoon did the party stop for a moment. Then, after watering all their animals at a creek, they halted in a pretty valley to rest. Some buffalos were grazing at the lower end of the valley, and two Comanches rode down upon them and killed a calf. They soon came back, one of them dragging the calf at the end of his lariat.

All the Indians now dismounted, with their captives, and tied their horses to bushes. Probably for reasons of prudence, they kindled no fire, but ate their meat raw. One of them cut off a goodsized slice of the calf and offered it to Oscar, who only shook his head. He was not hungry. Dread of what might be in store for him and his friend prevented that. And he would have

had to be on the verge of starvation to eat such raw, bloody stuff. The same piece was held out to Zally. He shook his head, remarking:

"No, sir! I'm purty hungry, but I cain't come that!"

The prisoners were not tied, and seemingly not much attention was paid to them. While the Comanches were eating, the boys sat down on the grass together. Until now they had found no opportunity to say a word to each other since being captured. Nor did they think it prudent to enter into conversation till they had been sitting together several minutes.

"What can we do, Zally?" Oscar finally whispered.

"Keep as still as mice and watch our chances," was the whispered reply.

"But won't they kill us if we try to get away?"

"Not if they don't ketch us. Wait till night comes. Then we'll have a better show. We cain't do a thing in daylight. But after dark tonight you jist keep your eye on me. If we don't git a good chance tonight we'll wait till tomorr' night. You be on the lookout, though, and when I give you the sign, we'll split for the bresh. Believe I could ha' slipped off two or three times last night. Would ha' tried it, but—"

"Whatever you do, don't leave me, Zally!" pleaded his companion

captivity, tremulously.

"I won't, Oscar. Don't you fret. That's why I didn't try to drop last night. I'll stick to you like a leech, whatever comes. I got you into this, and I'll git you out. As soon as it grows dark tonight — We'd better not talk anymore. That scar-faced booger's eyein' us." The boy looked away, and sat gazing at a nearby hill.

Most of the Comanches soon threw themselves down on the grass and fell asleep. But one remained awake to guard their prisoners and to keep an eye on the wearily grazing horses.

"We'd better stretch out and nap it a little, too, while we can," whispered Zally. "We want to be wide awake tonight."

The eyes of both had been growing heavy. Not till they sat down had they realized how tired and sleepy they were. Soon they were in the land of dreams.

The kick of a moccasined foot aroused them. Oscar had been dreaming of being at home; and the realization of where he actually was came upon him as a frightful shock. The Comanches had caught horses to ride — fresh horses out of the drove — and all but one were mounted and ready to start.

Again the captives were grabbed up and set on horses behind two of their captors. At first the horse that Oscar was on resented the double load by kicking furiously, but the savage rider soon tamed him. Again the wild band took up their march toward the northwest, plunging deeper and deeper into the woods. But the horses were all more or less jaded, and the party's progress was much slower than it had been.

Dusk was veiling the earth when the Comanches halted again. A buffalo cow had been killed, and with flint and steel they kindled a fire in the edge of some scattering woods. The weary drove was grazing close by, one of the warriors remaining with them to guard them.

The Indians broiled what they ate tonight. One of them, the scar-faced fellow, cut off two slices from the buffalo and offered them to the captives, making signs that they could cook the meat at the fire.

By this time both boys were ravenously hungry. They were glad to put their meat on the coals and, when it was broiled, to rake it out and eat it. Oscar, who never before had gone so long without eating, vowed to himself that he had never tasted anything half as good as this buffalo steak. They had been given liberal-sized pieces, and both had as much as they wanted. After eating they felt better, and much more hopeful.

Their supper finished, the red men sat around the fire and smoked their pipes for perhaps half an hour. Then most of them lay down on the buffalo ropes, here and there, and fell asleep. One warrior remained with the drove of horses, and two, the scar-faced fellow and another one, appeared to be arguing about what should be done with their captives.

At length the scar-faced Indian spread his buffalo-robe on the grass and made signs to the captives that they should lie down, one on each side of it. After they had complied, he took a buffalo-hide rope several yards long and tied Zally's feet with one end and Oscar's with the other. The slack part of the rope he placed between them, and himself lay down on it. They were in the midst of the sleeping Indians.

While the big Comanche stretched out between them, the captives were now completely separated. And they dared not utter a word to each other.

Oscar lay on the edge of the hairy robe, as thoroughly miserable as a boy could be. He thought long of his home, of his mother and father and Elsie, and of how heartbroken they must be since learning the awful fate that had befallen him. The present situation left no hope of escape tonight, and little hope for any other night, perhaps, and he was in despair of ever seeing them again: though he prayed with tear-wet eyes and with agony of soul that he might. While thinking how utterly hopeless and wretched his condition was, he fell asleep.

He awoke with whispering in his ear. Forgetting where he was, he tried to start up, but a hand held him down.

"It's me — Zally," breathed the lips close to his ear. "I've cut myself loose. Here's my knife. You can cut loose, too. No, maybe I'd better do it. You might wake the red booger. Lay plumb still." And the boy began to worm his way to Oscar's feet.

Oscar was badly frightened. He himself would not have dared to try to escape under the present dangerous surroundings. But he soon felt Zally's pocket-knife working on the rawhide rope that bound his feet.

Presently the warrior by him stirred in his sleep, as if about to awake. Zally stopped his cutting and lay motionless. But no sooner had the Indian begun to breathe regularly again than the pocket-knife renewed its attack on the rope.

At length the motions at Oscar's feet stopped and Zally moved around till his lips were at Oscar's ear again.

"You're loose now. Crawl right after me, an inch at a time. Don't forgit

— an inch at a time's the way, and as still as a mouse. And if I whistle, bounce up and streak it for the bresh as fast as ever you can. But we won't do that unless we have to. Here I go.

He began to crawl away, very slowly and cautiously, and Oscar soon started to follow him. Oscar was trembling from head to foot. The grass rustled frightfully to his strained senses, and his heart was hammering his ribs till he felt sure that some of the Comanches must hear it. So surrounded by Indians were the captives that, to escape, they must pass close to one sleeping warrior and between two others.

Inch by inch, inch by inch, inch by inch the boys crept along. Zally was in the lead, but Oscar kept almost against his heels. So slowly did the leader move that Oscar began to fear lest daylight should come upon them in the act of escaping.

While they were worming their way between the two Indians, one of the sleepers raised himself to his elbow and gazed about him. Instinctively the boys flattened themselves down in the grass and waited, both in terror lest their clothes should be white enough or dark enough to catch the Indian's eye in the dim light. The Comanche was gazing toward the riding-horses, which were tethered to bushes close by. Soon he dropped down again.

Not till the warrior had been lying several minutes, and seemed to be asleep, did Zally begin to move again. Oscar, with one hand on his leader's heel, wormed along after him. If the grass would only keep still! Both flattened themselves as flat as possible. Anyone watching them would scarcely have noticed that they were moving, so cautiously did they edge along. Fear had taught them cunning.

There was a little thicket of bushes some twenty yards from the sleeping Indians, and Zally was heading for that. Oscar did not know where he was going; he was blindly following the older boy. By the time they were a dozen yards from the nearest Indian he began to breathe freely. Up till now he had felt sure that some of the Comanches must awake and discover them, or that the warrior they had been sleeping by would miss them.

On reaching the bushes, Zally crept in among them, with Oscar still at his heels. Both were moving faster now; and both were wonderfully relieved when they found themselves concealed from their enemies.

They crawled through the thicket as fast as they could. On emerging from the far edge, Zally rose to his feet, intending to walk away. But one of the riding-horses, tied to this very thicket, sprang back in alarm at the boy's sudden appearance, snorted loudly, and lunged against his lariat in vain efforts to break loose.

Instantly Zally dropped down again. But the skittish horse stood gazing at the spot, rasping the air with his nostrils as he breathed. He was still doing this when the boys heard, with sinking hearts, an angry exclamation from one of the Indians. Frightened though they were, they recognized the voice of the scar-faced warrior they had been sleeping by. Awakened by the snorting horse, he had missed his captives and was furious over their escape. Immediately other excited voices broke out.

Zally sprang to his feet, and so did Oscar. "Let's run for it," whispered the halfbreed. "It's now or never for us! Come on! Run for your life!"

Away he dashed, with Oscar close behind him. Terror lent wings to their feet.

Delighted to leave their captors and captivity behind, the fugitives could not get over ground fast enough. As they fled, one thought kept ringing through their very souls: They were free once more — free, free, free!

Angry voices in the Indian camp told them that their escape was stirring up no small excitement. But as they dashed along wildly, recklessly, caring for nothing but to put distance between themselves and the Comanches, they passed from the scattered woods to a prairie, and at the same time plunged into the herd of stolen horses! They had known where the horses were, but in their fright and frantic eagerness to escape both had forgotten all about them.

Scarcely had the flying fugitives burst into their midst when the animals stamped wildly, scattered in every direction. The horses, however, were not half so badly frightened as were the boys themselves. Turning suddenly, they fled back the way they had come. But not before they caught sight of the Comanche guard, on his horse, and heard his shrill whistle, a signal of alarm to the other Indians. Indeed, so many Indians were signaling to one another, from so many different directions, that, after running a short distance. Zally halted under a low, thick-topped tree, and in its shadow the two threw themselves flat on the ground.

"Redskins jist a little too thick around here. We've got to lay low till they thin out," Zally whispered to Oscar.

The wisdom of this course was soon evident. For a minute later an Indian went hurrying by, on foot, passing not a dozen yards from them. The escaped captives flattened themselves hard against the ground.

As soon as the warrior had passed, Zally rose to a sitting posture and gazed all around. A few moments later Oscar was climbing a tree, with Zally "boosting" him. Then Zally himself went up, like a squirrel. Both were soon concealed among the thick-leaved branches.

The Comanches were undoubtedly making a vigorous search for their lost captives. For many times during the next half-hour warriors could be seen passing, running in different directions. One halted almost in the shadow of the tree, to look and listen. The fugitives clutched the limbs and actually held their breath till the savage moved on.

After a time the Indians seemed to have abandoned the search. Probably they had given it up till daylight, and had gone in quest of their stampeded horses. Having waited a good while after seeing the last warrior, the two boys swung themselves noiselessly to the ground and stole away. Both were crouching low and listening with strained ears, ready to drop down in the grass at the first suspicion of danger. Often Zally paused, to look and listen. Once they did drop to the ground, remaining there a minute or two. But it was a false alarm, and they soon rose up and moved stealthily on.

After passing out of the dangerous vicinity, they struck a trot and kept it

up. For an hour or two they hurried along noiselessly. Zally leading and his less experienced and less hardy companion close behind.

"Believe I've — got to — to rest a few — few minutes," Oscar was at length forced to say, pantingly, much against his will. For he was fully as eager as Zally to get far from that savage band.

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"All right," the little half-Mexican answered. And they threw themselves down in the tall grass. Both were breathing fast, Oscar especially so. Both were very tired and very happy. Not till they had been lying at least litteen minutes did either of them utter a word.

"Zally, I never was so glad in my life," spoke out Oscar at length. "I didn't think there was the slightest chance, and I'd given up and gone to sleep. I don't see how you managed it, but you did."

"Yes, it's all right so far. But we're not out of danger yit."

"Will they trail us when daylight comes - can they trail us, do you nink, Zally?"

"Yes, I guess they can, some of 'em. Most redskins can trail purty well, and some can foller a track like a bloodhound. But we'll give 'em lots of trouble. We ain't goin' to lay down and let 'em hop onto us — not bad, we ain't! If they ketch us at all, they'll ketch us up and hoofin' it as fast as ever we can.'

"But they've got their horses, Zally, and we're on foot. They can soon run us down."

"Not if they take time to trail us. I'm goin to see to it that our trail leads where they cain't ride. But we'd better be on the jump, I guess, if you feel

rested enough."
"How long do you s'pose it'll take us to walk back to the settlements,

Zally?" inquired Oscar, after they had got up and were hurrying on.
"Three or four days, I guess. Maybe longer. We must be seventy or
eighty miles from home. Them red boogers traveled a horse-killin' gait all
day yisterday, and part of the night before."

"Won't our folks be glad to see us coming in?" Oscar remarked,

eagerly.

"Not any gladder'n we'll be to come in," chuckled the little halfbreed.

"But we ain't there yit. As pap al'ays says, 'the's a lot of slips 'twixt the cup and the lips."

The sky had been partly overcast with clouds when the boys escaped, and now not a star could be seen.

Wisht it was clear, so's I could tell which way I'm headin'," Zally remarked at length. "I may have my nose p'inted t'wards home, and then ag'in I mayn't."

"We don't want to travel in the wrong direction."

"No, that we don't — nary step, if we can help it. But I don't know whether we can or not, dark as it is now. Anyhow, we'll keep humpin' ourselves. Even if we don't go right, we'll be gittin' fu'ther and fu'ther from them stinkin' redskins. That's the main thing now. When the sun shows itself we can take the right shoot."

was dawning. It was still dark,







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almost as tough as leather. Only the biggest, stiffest thorns had mighty risky, that was. You want to he protested. Zally's to see,

grumbled run away; but a feller cain't run much on one foot. I Oscar grinned, rather sheepishly. You ought to stopped your cussed, right out loud, too. And I'd promised your cactus. to next time held it rare hear 'em. I'd occasions had in; but to began to never so  $\rightleftharpoons$ 

of these are found residing in the Big Valley. Perhaps the most well known of these is Bishop Emanuel K. Peachey of Allensville, whose mother was Nancy K. Sharp, whose grandfather was Christian Sharp, #1 in the new Sharp family book. There are no known Amish ordained men by the name of Sharp.

puffing. Finally he dropped to the

he stickers out, or stop the hurting, either. Just sit down till it

'em out for you.

ng up his injured foot, and grunting and ground, seizing his foot with both hands

"What do you want to curse for, Zally? That won't pull

gets a

bust! Stop your years quick!

Cain't you understand

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# The Scharfs in Europe

This is not a common name in the Anabaptist field in Europe. The Mennonite Encyclopedia lists none. Likewise none are found in our general Anabaptist history sources. It is the Mennonitisches Lexicon, that lists one, Klaus Scharf, of Mühlhausen and Martha Scharf, of the same place, who were martryred and died for their faith in the river Unstrut, in 1537. This entry gives a reference to the source it was taken from, namely a book by Paul Wappler entitled. Die Tauferbewegung in Thuringen von 1526-1584. This book was located in Lancaster Mennonite Historical Archives and we were permitted to Abstract from the book. Courtesy Mrs. Carolyn Wenger.

Thuringen a German state, is located in the heart of Germany and in the heart of the area of the Lutheran Reformation. In 1946 it was incorperated into the East German state. Mennonite Encyclopedia volume 4 page

To this well established, conservative Lutheran state a new establishment of religion or the Anabaptist propaganta was an unwelcomed and uncalled for approach to the peaceful state. In 1526 a war broke out among peasants who were influenced by Thomas

# Our Fatherland in America

The Sharp Family



This family name is quite rare—so rare that few families exist in Old Order circles today. It is however, a well known family in the "Big Valley" of Mifflin County, Pennsylvania. In this particular Amish

settlement the present day generation may well remember of certain Sharp families who attended regular church services in homes and some may remember when grandfather Sharp came to vist them in horse and buggy mode of travel. Others will well know that their grandmother or great-grandmother was a Sharp by maiden name.

While our progenitor Sharp in America was likely from a strong German Reformed family a second or third generation member of the family has likely associated with Amish neighbors in Leacock Township, Lancaster County, and married a Yoder girl, a member of solid prestige Amish linage family. This young couple moved to Mifflin County late in the eighteenth century. From this union came a new family of diligent Christian worshippers into the fold of a young Amish church.

While this family leaves only a trace of living descendants bearing the Sharp name, many more, however, exist through maternal linages intermarried to family names as Hostetler, Kauffman, Kurtz, Miller, Kanagy, Peachey, Yoder and Zook. Nearly all

Münster. It was at this time that Hans Hut, a bookbinder and bookseller, and Volk Kolerin, Cooper and sexton Kilian Volchaimer, introduced the Anabaptist Doctrine to Thuringen for the first time.

Hans Hut

Those of us who are familiar with the Ausbund Hymnal, well remember the Author of das acht Lied, Hans Hut. This is a beautiful hymn, paraphased in a Psalm of David.

Hans Hut, a native of Haina, Thüringen was a sexton in the service of the Knights in the village of Bibia. He had property of his own and by trade he was a bookbinder. In his travels about the country he distributed pamplets, propagating the faith of Luther at first. About 1524 he met Weissenfels and three other craftsmen, a miller, a tailor and a weaver. Their objections to infant baptism perhaps gave him the first light to Anabaptism. Searching New Testament Doctrines and found that Christ and his Apostles had baptised no children.

When Hans Hut returned to his home he refused to have his new born child baptised. In a disputation with the Lords of Bibra, he declared that he had not been shown proof in the Bible that infant baptism was necessary. He was ordered to have his child baptised within 8 days or sell his property and move out. He chose the later course and moved to Nurnberg where he met Han Denk.

While peddling books near Wittenberg, Hut heard that the peasants war had broke out nearby. He immediatly went to Frankenhausen, Thüringen, where the army was stationed, when the peasants marched to battle he went up the hill with them, but when the shooting commenced he hastened back to Frankhausen where he was siezed by Hessian Authorities. Here many peasents were executed but Hut was fortunate to escape. He retuned to Bibra where he was forced to flee and fled to Augsburg. Here he again met Hans Denk. He was now persusaded to join the Anabaptists and was baptised by Denk. He was an Ardent Laborer among the Anabaptist, he quietly went from place to place in Bavaria, Swabia and Franconia, proclaiming the Anabaptist Doctrine and baptised those who he convinced to believe. In a few months he succeeded in winning a great number of converts and he drew up his own confessions. His sermons were strong on the returning of Christ. The Turkish tribulation was to him a sign of Christs return.

In 1527 he was seized in Augsburg and cast into prison. One account says that Hut was racked in the tower and returned to his cell where a candle ignighted straw on the floor. When they came to the tower he was found dead.

The executioners took to his corpse to the stake and burned it.

Hans Hut had five children. A daughter died in 1527, a martyr to her faith, was drowned in Bamberg. A son Phillip died in Moravia as a member of the brotherhood. Mennonite Encyclopedia volume 2 page 849

Besides a bookseller, Hut was also a writer. He wrote at least four books on Anabaptist Doctrine besides the hymns he wrote. Besides the one in the 212

Ausbund he also wrote a well known hymn, used to day by Hutterite Brethren entitled Wir danksagen dir, Herr Gott der ehren.

#### Thuringen Anabaptists

In the period of and after the peasant war the Anabaptists were supressed. In the meantime a new herd, says Wappler, of them arose in Westthuringen.

This was a milder class of Anabaptists whose leaders were likely inspired by Hans Hut. A lesser or slower withdrawal from the state church was apparent at first.

These emerged from both sides, that is from Hesse and from Franken. New preachers as Jacob Strass and Melchoir Rinch came to preach and comfort the fold, secretly among laborers in the harvest field, crept into cellars to meet with their fold, while at other times they resorted to the woods of farmers to meet with them. By 1529, Anabaptism had reached progress that became known to Justus Menius, the pastor of Eisenach.

Another group of Anabaptists rose in Northern Thüringen who were unlike those in Western Thüringen, and contained a different group of Anabaptists that were led by Hans Römer, who contained revolutionary ideas. These were likely remnants of the Münster sect who had fled to Franconia, from where they pushed into Thuringen. They proclaimed the violent restoration of New Jerusalem. The plot was discovered early and most of them were executed. Their leader, Römer escaped but was captured later at Erfurt in 1534.

To return to Western Thuringen we find Justus Menius kept in close contact with the growing church, conferred with them regularly. In a few years however, he disputed their written confessions, although mildly at first but the attitude grew more tense as time elapsed. In 1531 Melchoir Rinch appeared, here as an Anabaptist apostle and later claimed to be a prophet of God. Being a miracle worker he won a large following. On March 25, 1532, Rinch with about 40 of his followers were siezed and taken to Fulda. About a month later they had a hearing at Fulda. Rinch and his followers were released on promise that they would restitute from their false faith. Shortly afterwards however Rinch proceeded with prophetet practises. He untook to cleanse a wondering woman inflicted with leprosy and also attempted to turn water to wine. While both attempts were unsuccessful it caused another uproar among authorities who soon siezed them again and were sentenced to death. They were taken to Spahl and beheaded. A few fellow travelers recanted.

As in most executions remnants remained. A few believers gathered again to meet secretly. The main body of Anabaptist activities were now growing in the region of Mühlhausen. A certain preacher by name of Volkmar von Hildburghausen of Franken came to this group who baptised Kirchner Alexander. Another preacher by name of Nikolas who ordered that the children twelve years of age should be baptised. After the visitors left Alexander appears to be the leader of the group at Mühlhausen. It was under his leadership that a group of active Anabaptists appear at

Mühlhausen and among this group of about a dozen members is where Klaus Scharf first appears. Wappler, page 98.

During the summer and fall of 1534 Alexander is found to be baptising a number of this group. It is stated by Wappler that at this time Klaus Scharf expressed himself that he is not yet prepared to be baptised. The baptised members greeted each other when they met with a greeting of "Der Herr sei mit euch!" When they left Asunder the greeting was "Der Herr verleihe uns starke und kraft."

Shortly afterwards Klaus Scharf was seized and taken to prison. In October and again in November he

was given a hearing by the Magistry.

In the hearing he answered before the council that he will not yield to child baptism, nor mass but believes in New Testament scripture which forbids swearing of oath, also he believes in a government elected by God. Afterwards he was threatened with a sharp verdict that if he does not recant he will like other Anabaptists, be sentenced to be beheaded or drowned. Wappler, p. 113. He was however set free again. In January 1535, Klaus Scharf was comprehended again and led to prison with Lorenz Moller and Heinrich Hutter. It is not clear from the accounts of Wappler, if they were released again but apparently they were. Another account now lists Klaus Scharf with a group that has been baptised again and were given another hearing in 1537. A group of ten are listed, namely Jacob Storger, Klaus Scharf, Barbara Meissrod, Ottilia Franke, Christina Stroble, Kathrina Schäfer, Else Graf, Martha Scharf, Appollonia Kaiser and Lele Obelecker. This group was: sentenced to death on November 8, 1537, and drowned in the water of Unstrut, between Mühlhausen and Ammern. After they died they were drawn out and buried in the Erdreich graveyard. While they were led to the water they were despised and chided by their executors. But on the way and in the water they sang the hymn "Nun bitten wir den Heiligen Geist," until the executors drowned their voices in the water. Wappler, page 162.

While it is apparent that Klaus Scharf with his wife, Martha, were now drowned Wappler gives no account of their children. Is this evidence that this Scharf family has now died out completely and no other family has followed as this is the only account of Scharps in the Anabaptist field?

#### The Sharps in America

As it was previously stated in this article that it is believed that our progenitor, Peter Sharp was not of Anabaptist nor Mennonite background. In fact our Sharp family may begin one generation earlier than Peter, in America, but it is not definately known who it was. We must now resort to the history of the new Sharp family history which is now being published. (see back page of this issue).

For many years it was thought that the father of Peter Sharp, the second, was Christian Sharp, calculated to have been born in Switzerland about 1745. Unconfirmed tradition has it that he, Christian Sharp [Scharf] was one of the Hessians among the Swiss, who were hired by the British, to fight against

the army of George Washington at Trenten.

In 1978 new discoveries led us to believe Peter Sharp had originally lived in Lancaster County. From a Lancaster County will it was found that Peter Sharp Sr. lived and died in Leacock Township and that he had a son Peter who married to Anna Yoder and moved to Mifflin County. Hence the former story from tradition has been disproved. By John Sharp and Jim Frey.

The history continues that evidence remains from a study of "I. D. Rupps Thrity Thousand Names" that Peter Sharp Sr. may derive from a group of German Palatines who were forced to leave their country and came to America as subjects of Queen Anns of Britian. A company of 1400 souls were transported up the Hudson River, about 100 miles, to Livingston Manor. Later about 150 families pushed 60 miles northwest and settled in Schoharie. Here they endured severe cold winters and hardships, to barely existance for 10 years and in 1723, 33 families came to Tulpehocken, 15 miles northwest of Reading. Here these Palatinates, mostly Lutheran or German Reformed found permanent abode. Among this group was Antonius Scharf. In another group from Schoharie, who came to Tulpehocken 5 years later was Conrad Scharf. Sharp and Frey, in their research suspect one of these early settlers to be the father of Peter Sharp Sr. in Leacock Township, Lancaster County. A strong preference is expressed to Anthonius Scharf, beacuse another family is already accounted for the children of Conrad Scharf.

Another strong point of evidence in this early Scharf-Sharp linage is that a Leitner family in the Schoharie group also settled in Tulpehocken. It has long been known that the Lightner family in Leacock Township was closely associated with the Sharps, who lived side by side, just northeast of the town of Intercourse. This strong family tie can be seen in the Sharp family history by numerous intermarriages of the family.

The Lightner and Sharp families were among the most prominent families in early Leacock Township history. Nathan Lightner was a member of the first township schoolboard erected in 1844.

#### Peter Sharp I

Peter Sharp was born, March 29, 1729, died 1795 in Leacock Township. In 1764 he purchased a tract of 101 acres, just north of Intercourse, which was later known as the Bishop Dan Stoltzfus homestead, who has since moved to Clinton County, Pennsylvania and resides there at this time. Just across the way, where preacher Stephen Esh lives is the old Lightner homestead.

The wife of Peter Sharp was Mary, surname unknown. Their children were Christian, Elizebeth, John, Mary, Peter, Moses, Barbara, Anna, Susan and Jacob. From this family descend industrious citizens of Leacock Township. Perhaps the last, known of these, in Leacock Township was Dr. Sharp who practiced medicine in the town of Intercourse.

#### Peter Sharp II

Peter is the only one of the above family to become continued on page 31 213

# Münster Anabaptists

It is likely appropriate to include a short sketch of the Münster Anabaptist before we proceed with the novel "Anabaptist." Although it is an outstanding movement in reformation history, it is likely one of the least known of among our readers. Few, if any, accounts of this movement are recorded in Martyrs Mirrow.

Münster is a large city, about the size of Reading, Pennsylvania located in Northwest Central [old] Germany. It was the capital of Westphalia. It has been a bishop's seat since the 8th century and became a member of the Hanseatic League during the 13th century.

In 1532-35 Münster became a center of radical Anabaptists, in which both religious and social reformers found refuge.

The city was ruled by a city council and the bishop who had his own court. At the time of the Reformation, the guilds participated in the government, leaving the common people in the background. When Luther's reformation spread, his Doctrine was brought into the city by merchants, by 1524 the reform movement was assuming definate forms.

In 1531 the city recieved religious unrest, mainly led by Bernhart Rothman, a former priest, who visited Wittenberg and was in touch with reformers there as well as with a few others. Melchior Hofman who had spread Anabaptist beliefs in East Friesland and the Netherlands, also secured followers in Münster. Due to economic and political conditions, governing the city, it was ripe for a revolt.

On August 7, 1533 a religious discussion was held between leaders of this new Anabaptist movement and Catholic and Lutheran ministers, by force Rothman was removed from his office. On January 5, 1534, two more Anabaptist leaders, followers of Melchoir Hofman, came to the city and baptised former leaders as Rothman an others. Unlike other peaceful Anabaptist movements this became an exaggerating imitation of true Anabaptism, a radical one that branded the history and reputation of Anabaptists for centuries to come. On February 9, 1534, the city hall was seized and on February 23, Bernhart Knipperdolling, a leader of the new movement became mayor of Munster. On February 27, all those who refused to be baptised were cast out of the city.

Münster became the refuge of all persecuted and desperate people. Many came from Holland and other countrues to this haven of refuge. Münster was soon known as the "New Jerusalem." They adopted fanatical views as the children of Jacob would be engaged in helping God punish the "children of Esau." On April 4, 1534 Jan Matthys led a radical move to go outside the walls of the city to disperse the besieging army as in days of Isreal. He fell in his attempt. Another distorted Anabaptist view was attempted by Hille Feichen, who sacrificed herself in an attempt to kill the bishop as Judith had beheaded Holofernes in Isreal. She was captured and put to death.

In addition to armed resistance new principles were 214

introduced by Jan Von Leyden, who promoted the idea of community of goods as in the new church of Jerusalem, and claimed to establish a New Jerusalem church at Münster. Besides this Leyden also introduced Polygama. Although some of the more serious ministers, as Rothman and others, resisted to this Old Testament practise, Leyden pressed forward with his fantastic idea while it somewhat divided ruling powers Leyden succeeded in his attempt, maintaing that the childern of Light were fighting the children of darkness. On August 31, 1534 he was proclaimed king of New Zion.

The harsh and radical ruling of Leyden was short indeed. On June 25, 1535 the bishops army gained entrance through the gate of the city. Jan Von Leyden, Knipperdolling and Krechting were captured and cruelly tortured, and put to death on January 23, 1526. The coipes were put into a cage that hung on the tower of St. Lamberts' church. The cages are still hanging in the tower.

It in believed that this movement began with some, such as Rothman, who were influenced with true New Testament Anabaptist teaching that has Swiss background and transplanted to Strasbourg. In Münster they were transformed by fanaticism mixed with carnal Old Testament themes. Not much of true Anabaptistism was retained. A small group of true believers, however escaped the city, took refuge in hills and caves in scattered parts of the country. From remnants of such our story "Anabaptists" continues.

While the Münster Anabaptist movement was short lived it made in sore dent and cast a dark shadow over true Anabaptism for years to come, especially to Reformed rulers who did not want to yield to just reasoning. It was a common thing to be referred to during many disputations, in different countries, as a last resort, to bring up the Münster Anabaptist revolt. Mennonite Encyclopedia vol-3, page 777.

# The Anabaptists

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Editor's Note: For a number of months we were looking for good novels, written by Europe about happenings in the Anabaptist field. The idea of such a move is to distribute more knoledge of the life of true Anabaptist to more people, particluar by young readers, who may not have as much interest in historical articles. During late research we have found that at least two such short novels exist. One is by Wilhelm Heinrich Riehl and one by Adolf Stern. These writers were both germans and the stories are written in german.

Through inquiry with Elizebeth Bender, Goshen Indiana, it was learned that they have both been translated to english and were published in *Purpose* by Scottdale Publishers, in 1975. By conferment with David Hostetler, the editor of *purpose*, we have reached an agreement by which The Diary has permission to publish the novels.

"Vengenance in mine" by Wilhelm Riehl has not be fully approved yet, but may follow in future issues.

#### Chapter 1

It was a midsummer day. Luminous sheaves of grain shone in the fields of Ems Valley, contrasting with the green of the meadows and trees as sharply as the bright ribbon of the river contrasted with the dark plains to the west.

The wide, immense moor lay in endless monotony. A peat pit in it was the last evidence of life, and a dark, gloomy creek flowing toward the Ems was apparently the only path leading from the inhabited area into the desolate moor.

The road in the Ems Valley ran along the stream bed, and it was indeed an unusual happening when a whole squad of men on horseback took the road next to the moor and paused for breakfast on the last tree-covered hill, the foot of which lav in the brown, marshy soil.

One of the horsemen had briskly trotted ahead and after inspecting the hill beckoned to the others. They joined him, dismounted, and tethered their horses on the slope. The one who had arrived first, still leading his mount by the bridle, approached two elder men who were apparently the leaders of the band. One of them, a tall man in his fifties, whose figure might once have been slender but was now overweight, said, with an approving smile to the young man, "You are right, squire; this spot is good for a rest and an early meal. I'm glad you were the first to see it."

The younger man of about twenty-five, who was distinguished from the other horsemen in bearing and dress, was about to pass the two and help in unloading the provisions from the packhorse when he found himself blocked by the second of the older men, who said in a subdued but imperious voice: "Wait, Frederick, you have done enough and more than enough by riding up here ahead of the rest; one of the soldiers could have done that. They can prepare the breakfast now, and you sit down here with us."

"I don't trust my horse to anyone," the squire replied half obediently and half defiantly. There was a quick flash in his blue eyes, but he evaded the older man's look of rebuke and seemed to be concerned only with his gray, Flemish stallion. He must certainly have made a splendid rider, for he was tall, and his narrow face had the ruddiness of youth, framed by a full, chestnut beard.

Although he was dressed in leather pants, like the rest of the troopers and wore a sword in his belt, many a small trait revealed he was not a warrior. He bore a resemblance to the older man who had just spoken and like him had an air of grave dignity which was more at home in council chambers than in military camps.

But the younger man, in his guarded moments, seemed livelier and more active; whereas, the older man probably had no unguarded moments

The older man had arrived first on the hilltop with his companion, and seated himself with him in the shade of a huge linden tree whose branches permitted hardly a ray of the blue noonday sun to shine through.

Kurt tom Plan, Councillor (a member of the ruling council) of Emden, stretched out comfortably on the grass and loosened the weapons from his belt. But his friend continued to conduct himself as if he were on the official bench and suspiciously watched his young cousin tethering his gray horse, while the soldiers brought a jug of wine and enormous roasts of venison and ham.

Kurt seized his knife and beaker with pleasure to sample the wine and meat before the meal was quite ready, and said, "Help yourself, Nicholas, get some good out of your rank. I believe you are still angry at the squire and I say you are wrong. And, truly, even if he had helped to unload the packhorse he would still have been Frederick Lorenzen!"

"You don't understand," replied Nicholas with some pride. "The devil of innovation is going about devouring more souls than we can count, Kurt. If our young people forget the position they were born into, if they thoughtlessly disregard their privileges, the evil time will come when nobody will respect their rank!"

#### Chapter 2

Careful, now!" said tom Plan. "One can know how to swing a sword without carrying it unsheathed at markets and parish fairs. You are overanxious, Nicholas. But perhaps some things are different in Hamburg than here in our area, and perhaps you are speaking from some bad experience.

Nicholas Lorenzen almost violently drew himself erect and tried to raise his head out of his broad shoulders — with only partial success. His round, red face, with its sharp gray eyes, which had previously expressed only pride and a sly watchfulness, at this moment showed something additional that puzzled Kurt tom Plan. Nicholas' sharp glances had suddenly turned away from the young man to Kurt.

Squire Frederick was meanwhile approaching. The troopers had been lying for some time under the other two trees. Kurt tom Plan, probably annoyed by Nicholas' furtive glances, moved far enough to a side to make room between them for the young man. But Frederick, with a word of thanks, seated himself on the opposite side of the rug that served both as table and as tablecloth. He began to eat silently, and since he men opposite him snowed no desire to resume their dialogue, one could hear only the words of the horsemen, which weren't many during their meal.

Nicholas Lorenzen, atter a few bites, had finished his meal and now drained his cup. His eyes had for some time been sweeping over the plain. His face showed ill-humor and a vague forced smile that his companions failed to notice. Finally he turned to them again and asked with pretended indifference, "What are you doing after this, Kurt? How far have we gone, and where are we now?"

"We are probably about five hours from Leer. Nicholas, and we must now decide which road we want to take," the Emden Councillor quickly informed him. "Right down here along the river we can reach Dorpen

today and Meppen tomorrow. If we cross the Ems and continue south we will get to Sogel. All things considered, this is probably the better route. In the forests of Hummling all sorts of rabble hide, why shouldn't a band of Anabaptists have sought refuge there?

You are mistaken, tom Plan, you are mistaken. I said already this morning we were riding too far upstream — now I believe we must be nearly at the borders of the dominion of the bishop of Münster. If you had listened to me, we should have gone west or east from Emden, not to this place. Now our group has made a stir in the countryside and I would not be surprised if the fanatics and antichrists had not by this time found other hiding places!"

But they will still have a hard time trying to elude us." replied the Emden Councillor. "And I still don't understand you, Nicholas. Why shouldn't we look for them in Münster territory as well as in our own neighborhood? The traces we have point this way, why not follow them?"

"Don't you know what happened to the Anabaptists at Münster forty years ago? Do you seriously believe any Anabaptist is still living there? It seems to me, the bishop's officials will mock us to our faces if we seek the criminals among their people, where they were eradicated with fire and sword a generation ago! No, Kurt, we must take other routes to reach our goal, or the summer will be over and we will have no one to count but our troopers."

Before Kurt could answer, one of the horsemen joined the conversation. He was a powerful man of about forty, who had served many lords for more than twenty years.

You are right, your Worship! I was born in the town of Warendorf nearby and can well remember how the Anabaptists were dealt with after the great revolt they stirred up in Münster and crowned Jan van Leyden as their king. As a boy of eight, I saw ten Anabaptists broken on the wheel in a single day and Saint Lambert knows many more of them were executed!"

Nicholas was as little pleased as Kurt by this unexpected alliance. Indeed, the squire, who was sitting opposite him, hardly noticing his older cousin during all the talking now thought he saw him tremble slightly.

#### Chapter 3

Hold your old, bloody stories, Veit. Mr. tom Plan knows what has to be done," said Nicholas, impatiently warding off the horseman. An awkward silence followed. Nicholas Lorenzen was obviously waiting for a decision by Kurt tom Plan, who finally remarked briefly and sullenly, "So you think we ought to go back?"

We will go back to Leer," answered Lorenzen, and proceed through the Reinderland to Groningen. You will see, we shall reach our goal: it is from the Netherlands that the poison of Anabaptism is literating our towns, and the seed of every infernal shoot that flourishes in our territory, or yours, has

blown over from there."

"I could defeat you with your own argument," smiled Kurt, recovering his equanimity. "There are executions of these wretches in abundance in the Dutch provinces, and still you expect to find large numbers of them there?"

"Only in the large cities are they routed, in populous Brabant and Holland, where severity reigns and inspires fear," Nicholas replied. "Here on our borders, among the moors, in small hidden towns the heretics have found refuge and you'll see, we'll find them."

Kurt tom Plan nodded in agreement. The conversation was beginning to weary him. Looking out over the countryside as if by accident, he noticed some white clouds in the east.

"Then let's ride, however and wherever you wish," he said. "There may be a storm before night, but now there is still time for the rest we need. Let's sleep for an hour and then spur our horses a bit."

The brave Councillor of Emden had already laid his head on the most luxuriant spot of moss among the roots of the linden. After brief reflection, Nicholas Lorenzen followed suit, having first instructed his younger cousin to have the soldiers do all the necessary work and to confine his efforts to watching over the sleeping men. Frederick gave a fleeting sign of obedience and sat up beside them while a trooper removed the cups, the rug, and the other parts of the meal. The others, a total of about fifteen, likewise lay down to sleep.

The Hamburg Councillor Lorenzen, looked up several times. He now seemed as little interested in sleeping as he had previously been in eating. But, at last, the heat of the day and the softness of the moss overpowered him and soon he was sleeping more soundly than the rest. Nevertheless no good dream spirits descended to him from the linden branches. He groaned, breathed noisily, and Frederick saw him shudder as if frightened.

Frederick turned, and stepping over several of the sleepers, reached the far edge of the hill. Indifferently, with no thought of spying, he looked out over the monotonous brown plain. But in this desolate place any sign of life would call attention to itself. And thus beyond the gaps and openings in the heather he suddenly caught sight of a human figure gliding along.

From time to time it disappeared - Frederick did not know how or where to - and then suddenly reappeared. He followed the movements; his interest increased when he noted that it was a woman striding over the barren and sad ground. He cast a backward glance at the sleepers, ran down the low hill, and, without much thought, he worked his way along the buckwheat fields through a foot of dust. Soon this was replaced by marsh, and he stepped on unsafe spots. He was on the point of changing his mind when all at once a narrow, deep trench carved out with many windings opened up before him, which he had not seen from the hilltop. He felt himself impelled to quicken his pace by his expected discovery. He moved forward in the ditch, which could only now in midsummer offer a dry path, then it ended as

suddenly as it had begun. The young man stood still for a moment pondering. Cautiously he peered over the rim of the excavation, which was about as deep as a man's height. He glanced over a wider expanse of moor. Right before his eyes lay a dark pond with luxuriant brownish green reeds. Beyond the water a slight elevation of the ground was revealed-and on it the female figure rested, whom he could now see clearly. He could distinguish the fearures of the youthful face and the color of her clothing, and thought that with a few steps he would be able to reach her.

With this determination, he swung himself up out of the ditch and stood at the dark waters edge. At the same moment the girl, who was obviously keen-eyed caught sight of him. She made a little outcry, ran from the spot where she had been resting, and turned in flight. Her kerchief slipped off, and an abundance of blue-black hair fell over her neck and the coarse woolen garment that covered but did not conceal her slender legs. Her arms and feet were bare and of great beauty.

Frederick s call reached her ears, she hesitated a moment and turned to face him. Her features were distorted with fright, her dark eyes were have closed as she looked at him. And before he found his voice she had disappeared right before him, sunken into the ground, or how else could she have been removed?

To be continued

#### DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH REPORT, Lancaster, Pa.

We have been getting a number of reports of hepatitis (yellow

jaundice) among the rural community.

There are some guidelines to follow to prevent the spread of the disease. You are most likely to spread the hepatitis virus before you get sick. You can assume there are a number of carriers or cases in every gathering. The virus is carried in the intestinal tract (not in the air) therefore it is important to observe the following rules:

- 1. Wash all dishes, drinking cups, and utensils in hot, soapy water after each use.
- 2. Wash hands with soap and water after going to the bathroom and before handling food.
- 3. Visit your doctor if the disease is suspected so that he can advise you on treatment. He may want to give gamma globulin to the rest of the family to prevent them from getting as severe a case of the disease and to help to limit the spread of disease.

Doris Kolb, public health nurse, has been visiting in a number of homes where there has been illness and if you have any questions you may call her (or Ethel Hershey) at 299-7597 between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

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The outward man, do what I can

To lengthen out my life's short span,

Shall perish and return to dust

As everything in nature must.

The inward man, the Scriptures say

Is growing stronger every day.

So how can I be growing old

When safe within my Saviour's fold?

'Ere long my soul shall fly away

And leave this tenement of clay--

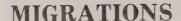
This robe of flesh I'll drop and rise

To seize the everlasting prize.

I'll meet you on the streets of gold

And prove that I'm not growing old.

A John E. Robert



Levi J. Mast and family moved from Chetek, Wisconsin to Augusta, Wisconsin, in April.

Ammon A. Borntreger and family moved from Medford,

Wisconsin, to Chetek, Wisconsin, in April.

Alva Masts moved from the Henry Bennett place to their own home on the Bishop Dan Miller road. They moved in the basement for the present.

Jacob Troyers moved from Route 2, Huntingdon, to Route 1,

McRae, Arkansas.

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#### Crop and Weather Reports-Continued from page 31

#### Cashton, Wisconsin - Joe C. Borntreger

The weather through July was quite warm and dry, some corn curled up over the warmest part of the days oats are mostly in shock, second cutting is about ready to cut, is fair in most places, except for what was cut late. Corn is mostly in tassel. We are having warm days and cool nights.

#### Chetek, Wisconsin - Mrs. Henry Lehman

The month of July had very little rainfall. North and south of us they had more. They also had a very bad tornado through Eau Claire and the neighboring counties.

We had very warm weather for a few weeks which really boosted the corn. The highest temperature for the area was 100

uegrees

Very good crops throughout the area. Second crop hay is being made.

#### Bronson, Michigan - Ora A. Graber

We had only average rainfall for the month, but most of it came in severe storms. There was damage done to buildings and uprooting trees through our settlement in three different storms about a week from each other.

The crops are turning out surprisingly good, to consider that it has been hindered by storms, floods, frost and insects through the season thus far.

To my estimate this has been the hottest month, since the hot and dry of many years through the thirties.

#### Branch County, Michigan - Mrs. Noah N. Schwartz

July was a warm and humid month. Also much hard thunder, high winds and much rain.

Wheat is thrashed with the yield being fair. Oats are mostly cut. Feeder pig prices are still down.

#### Chesley, Ontario - Jacob Hershberger

This month has been unusual wet with 10.5 inches of rain. The hay was a heavy crop and very catchy to get in without rain.

There is still some hay to be cut. The other crops look to be a very good crop. Not much real warm weather.

#### Norwich, Ontario - Levi D. Stutzman

Crops sure got a boost after out late spring, as we had 5 inches of rain in July and was humid most of the month. Almost half of the rain came on the 28th which cause some flat grain. Fat hogs have gone up \$10.00 but small pigs haven't changed due to high feed prices.

#### Wingham, Ontario - Barbara Gingerich

June was unusually cool and rainy, with frost the 11th, 12th and 13th, which retarded the corn. In some spots it was frozen. Melons and cucumbers were also touched. Hay is about half in, due to wet weather, with a few severe thunder storms. Oats is heading out. The price of fat hogs is slowly rising.

May was quite warm and dry till the 8th and 9th. We had some rain, then cooled off for a few days. It was quite dry to plant corn during the week of 20th. Had 5 inches of rain and flooded lowlands the 29th and 30th

First week in June we had over 2 inches rain. The 15th was quite cool with 46 degrees in the morning. Had very warm the last week, being 94 degrees on the 26th. Had a good rain Friday eve and cooled off by Sunday the 29th.

Farmers busy with first cutting hay which is a good crop.

years, 2 months and 19 days. Born in Indiana on April 3, 1900 to Ferdiend and Mattie Miller, married to Pearl Slabauch on November 2, 1925, she died January 21, 1932. He married again on April 12, 1936, to Elizabeth Miller, who preceded him in death.

Surviving is 1 son, Albert, with whom he resided, 4 grandchildren, 1 twin sister, Lovina, Geneva, Ohio, 1 step-sister, Mrs. Mose (Mary) Yoder, Allience, Ohio, 1 step-brother, Harvey, Iowa

Funeral services were held at the home by Peter Graber, Indiana, and Eli Troyer, of the home church. Burial in Hayes Corner Cemetery.

Miller, Levi G., 79, Arthur, Illinois

died June 12, at her home at Arthur, Illinois, she lived her entire life in the Arthur area. A daughter of Jacob and Mattie (Kaufman) Kauffman. She married Levi Miller, in October 1921. They were together longer than any other couple here at this time.

Miller, Mrs. Levi G. (Carrie), 79, Arthur, Illinois

died June 12, at her home at Arthur. She lived her entire life in the Arthur area. A daughter of Jacob and Mattie (Kaufman) Kauffman. She married Levi Miller, in October 1921. They were together longer than any other couple here at this time.

Surviving besides her husband, are 2 sons and 4 daughters, Lizzie (Mrs. Jerry Kuhn), Arthur, Mrs. Al Bontreger, Kokomo, Ind., Mary, (Mrs. Edwin Yoder), Arcola, Ill., Leah, Decatur, Ill., Eli, Arthur, Ill., Harvey, Middlebury, Ind.

Funeral services were held at the home and burial at Arthur Cemetery.

Miller, Neal E., 12, Apple Creek, Ohio

died Saturday morning in his home after a long illness. He was the son of Enos C. and Rebecca (Schlabach) Miller.

Surviving besides the parents are 3 sisters and 3 brothers, Sylvia, Mary, Rachel, Edwin, Toby and Aaron, all of the home, grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius E. Miller and Mr. and Mrs. Lester Schlabach, #2 Apple Creek.

Funeral services were held Tuesday morning at the residence with Bishop Dan L. Miller officiating. Burial was in the Yoder Cemetery, Salt Creek Township, Wayne County, Ohio.

Miller, Sarah, 75, Jamesport, Missouri

died Friday, July 4, in the home of William Miller, #3 Middlebury, where she had been visiting three weeks. She was born in Oscoda County, Mich., May 2, 1905, the daughter of Joe and Barbara (Mishler) Miller. Miss Miller had resided in Missouri most of her life.

Surviving are two sisters, her twin, Mrs. Harvey (Katie) Helmuth, Shipshewana, and Mrs. Freeman (Susie) Lambright, Jamesport, Missouri, and a brother, Isaiah Miller, Kalona, Iowa.

Funeral services were held Monday at 9:30 A. M. in the home of Jonas Miller with Bishop Felty Yoder and the Rev. Harry Stutzman officiating. Burial was in the Yoder Cemetery.

Miller, Sarah, 87, Johnson County, Iowa

died July 4, at the home since the death of her husband several years ago. Her first husband died (which was Abe H. Mast) in 1957. Her age was 87 years. Sorry I cannot give the surviving children. She has 2 brothers, Menno Schrock, Goshen, Ind., Ezra Schrock, Miss., and at least one sister, Mrs. Jacob (Fannie) Bontrager, Goshen.

Funeral services were held at the Jeff Ropp home (a niece). Preaching by Adin and Henry B. Miller and by Menno Mast in English. (a step-son).

Miller, Dennis J., 88, Iowa

died July 6, age 88 years, 8 months and 18 days, born October 18, 1891. The son of Joseph and Mary (Bender) Miller. He died at the Mercy Hospital in Iowa City following a sudden illness due to a heart condition. In his youth he accepted Christ as his personal Saviour, and remained faithful to the end. On January 16, 1919, he was united in marriage to Ida Helmuth. To this union were born 11 children: Verna (Mrs. Alvin) Weaver, Kalona, Emma (Mrs. Chris) Swartzentruber, Costa Rica, Mary and Rudy D. Miller, Kalona, Amelia, Indianapolis, Ind., Bertha (Mrs. Raymond Brenneman) Kalona, Simon D., who was drowned in Greece in 1954, Jonas Miller, Kalona, Eunice (Mrs. Wilford) Stutzman, Keota, Lovina (Mrs. Nelson) Hochstetler, Flint, Mich.; and Elsie (Mrs. Amos) Miller, Kalona. Also surviving are his wife, Ida, one brother, Chris B. Miller, Kalona, 34 grandchildren, 11 step-grandchildren, and 5 218

great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, one son, five brothers, Samuel Elmer, Joseph, Benedict and Jacob. Two sisters, Magdalena and Elizabeth. One grandson and a foster sister, Elizabeth (Mrs. Eli) Knepp.

Pallbearers were Monroe Miller, Edward Schlabach, Marvin Bontrager, Norman Ropp, Eddie J. Miller, and Paul Shetler. Burial was at the East Union Cemetery, 3 miles north of Kalona.

Petersheim, Moses R., 47, Bird-in-Hand, Pa.

died unexpectedly Wednesday at Lancaster General Hospital. He was the husband of Rachel (Glick) Petersheim. Born in Lancaster County, he was the son of Priscilla (Riehl) Petersheim and the late Christian Petersheim. He was a member of the Old Order Amish Church.

Surviving besides his wife are the following children, John Jacob, Christian F., Monroe Lee, Fanny Lynn, and Priscilla, all at home. Also surviving are three sisters, Lizzie, wife of Abner Fisher, Bart, Ruth, wife of Amos Lapp, Bird-in-Hand, and Lydia, wife of Benuel Stoltzfus, #1 Paradise, and one brother, Stevie Petersheim, Cochranville.

Funeral services were held on August 1, in barn of a neighbor, Amos Petersheim. Sermon by Elam Kauffman and Amos King.

Burial at Myers Cemetery.

Following Father Home:

Years ago, when I was jest a little lad, an' after school hours used to work around the farm with Dad, I used to be so wearied out when eventide would come, that I got kinder anxious-like about the journey Home;

But Dad, he used to lead the way, an' once in awhile turn 'round an' say, so cheerin' like, so tender, "Come!" Come on, my son, you're nearly home!"

That allers used to help me some; An' so I followed Father home.

I'm old and gray an' feeble now, an' trimbly at the knee, But life seems just the same today As then it seemed to me,

For I am still so wearied out, When eventide is come, An' still kinder anxious-like

About the hourney Home; But still my Father leads the way, An' once in awhile I hear Him say, So cheerin' like, so tender, "Come!

Come on, my son, you're nearly home!"
An' so I'm followin' father home."

Schrock, Perry, Illinois & Author unknown

died July 14. He needed surgery and was taken to St. John's Hospital, Springfield, Ill. He was operated on, July 13 (the day he was born) and died the following day and was buried on July 16, with graveside services for the family and friends.

Stoltzfus, David G., 75, Kinzers #1

died Monday at 12:30 P. M. at his home, following a lengthy illness. He was born in Leacock Township, a son of the late Tobias K. and Barbara F. (Glick) Stoltzfus. He was a retired farmer and carpenter. He was a member of the Old Order Amish Church.

Surviving are his wife, Elizabeth S. (Fisher) Stoltzfus and the following children, Katie F. Stoltzfus, Blue Ball, Samuel K., Atglen #1, Tobias D., Rebersburg, Barbara F., wife of Jonas Zook, Gap #1, Fannie Z., wife of Melvin A. Beiler, Gap #1, Emma F., wife of David B. Stoltzfoos, Elam M. Stoltzfus and Lydia S., wife of Samuel S. Stoltzfus, all of Kinzers, 49 grandchildren, 7 great-grandchildren, a brother, Ira G. Stoltzfus, Kinzers #1, and 2 sisters, Katie K. Stoltzfus, and Mrs. Sarah L. Blank, Kinzers #1.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, July 23, at the home, anfang by Moses Blank, main part by John F. Glick, lied by Sam J. Stoltzfus (page 437). Lied at the graveyard by Tobias K. Stoltzfus

(page 444). Abshied by Bishop John S. Glick. Burial at Millwood Cemetery. Pallbearers were 4 grandsons, David S. Stoltzfus, David R. Stoltzfus, Alvin S. Zook and Samuel Beiler.

Wickey, David D., 78, #2 Geneva, Indiana

died Tuesday, July 22, at the Van Wert County Hospital, following an illness of one year. A retired carpenter and a lifetime resident of Adams County, Indiana. He was born January 2, 1902, a son of David A. and Mary (Schwartz) Wickey. On October 11, 1923, he was married to Rosa K. Schwartz, who preceded him in death.

Surviving are three sons, Levi R., #1 Berne, Reuben R. and David R., both of New Haven, five daughters, Mrs. Dan M. J. (Mary Ann) Schwartz, Mrs. Joe (Elizabeth) Schwartz, both of #2 Geneva, Mrs. Enos J. (Katie) Schwartz, #2 Berne, Mrs. David (Rebecca) Girod, #1 Geneva and Mrs. Enos E. (Adeline) Schmidt, #1 Monroe, 107 grandchildren and 75 great-grandchildren. Also three brothers, August D., Wolcottville, Noah D. and John D., both of Berne, four sisters, Mrs. Noah (Christina) Wengerd, #1 Berne, Mrs. Peter (Mary) Girod, Curryville, Mo., Mrs. Henry (Kate) Schwartz, #2 Geneva and Mrs. Cletes (Becky) Christner, #2 Berne.

Funeral services were held July 24, at the David M. Girod residence. Burial at the Bunker Hill Cemetery.

Yoder, Adrain, 2, Millersburg, Ohio

died July 2, at Dover Hospital after a long illness. He was a son

of Dan J. and Barbara (Miller) Yoder.

Surviving in addition to his parents is a brother, Abe, of the home. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Atlee C. Miller, #1 Sugarcreek, Mrs. Viola Yoder, #3 Millersburg, a great-grandmother, Mrs. Alma Shetler, #2 Sugarcreek, Ohio.

Yoder, Lawrence D., 89, Hutchinson, Kansas

died Wednesday, July 9, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Amos Nisley, Hutchinson, Kansas, after being ill with lukemia for four months. He was born to David and Martha Yoder, March 18, 1891, at Nappanee, Indiana. He had resided in the Topeka area before moving onto the small lot, now the place of Freeman J. Bontragers. They had lived there for about 20 years before moving out to Kansas where he was taken care of by his daughter the last 2 years. He was married to Mattie Bontrager, February 20, 1919, a daughter of Noah and Anna (Yoder) Bontrager, she preceded him in death July 23, 1928, lived in matrimony 9 years. To this union were born 5 children, 3 sons and 1 daughter preceded him in death when young.

Survivors are 1 daughter, Mrs. Amos (Anna) Nisley, Hutchinson, Kansas, and 5 grandchildren, 1 brother, Samuel, Shipshewana, 1 sister, Mrs. Carl (Mary Ann) Eash, Cadillac,

Michigan and a host of relatives and friends.

He was married second time to Lydia Miller on January 26, 1933, daughter of Noah and Susan Miller. She also preceded him in death, June 23, 1978. No children were born to this union.

Funeral services were held in Kansas. Then they brought the body to Harvey Farmwalds to view 1 day then funeral services were held again Saturday, July 12, at Levi Bontragers. (his first wife's brother) by Christ Bontrager, Illinois, Daniel Bontrager, Woodlawn, and Roy Miller. By Eli Gingerich and Jacob Petersheim in the cellar. Burial at Yoder Corner Cemetery. Pallbearers were Glen Bontrager, Lester Miller, Ray Bontrager and Delbert Farmwald.

Yoder, infant daughter, #1 Holmesville, Ohio

died Friday morning, July 4, at Akron Children's Hospital. She was born July 2, at Wooster Community Hospital. She was born

Surviving in addition to her parents are 3 brothers, Aden, Wayne, Willis, 4 sisters, Effie, Alma, Martha and Lucinda, all at home. Paternal grandfather, Noah L. Yoder, #1 Baltic, maternal grandmother, Mrs. Clara C. Miller, #4 Millersburg, Ohio.

Funeral services were held last Saturday at the family residence at 1:30 P. M. with Bishop John J. Miller officiating. Burial was at

the Andy N. Yoder Cemetery, Holmes County, Ohio.

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#### Salisburg, Penna. - Another Community Note

Floyd, 8 year old son of Noah P. Summys, had his thumb almost pinched off, between wagon tongue and tractor drawbar. Doctor thinks he can save it.

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#### **CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS**

#### Coltres Palmas, Paraguay - E. K. Stoltzfus

May was a nice fall like month. We had 18 nice clear days, and 13 cloudy and rainy day. A total of sixteen and one eight inches of rain for the month. The temperture in the morning the highest was  $70^{1/2}$  on May 12th. The lowest was 36 degrees on May 4th. Light frost some places.

Noon temperture was highest 84 degrees on 6 days. The lowest

noon temperture was 58 degrees on May 2nd.

June was a nice winter month. We had 22 nice clear days, 8 cloudy days with rain on the 1st, 13th, 17th, 19th, 20th, 23rd, 24th, 25th, and 30th. Most of it came in light drizzly showers. A total of three and one half inches. The temperture in the morning highest 40 on June 4th. The lowest was 24 degrees on the 24th. The ground was slightly covered with frosze and ice in some places. Noon temperture was highest 80 degrees for 4 days, lowest was 52 degrees on June 4th.

We had good crops this last season. Some sections soybeans suffered some insect damage and the price was down 16 G's a kilo or \$5.00 per 100 pounds. Corn is a bumper crop with price for shelled corn 8G's per kilo or \$2.50 per 100 pounds. Peanuts are 60 G per kilo or \$20.00 per 100 pounds. Peanut butter retails at 150G's per kilo or \$.50 per pound. June and July are sugar cane months. We cooked 9 batches in June. Average from 40 to 50 litro or quarts per batch. The price is good, 130G or \$.85 a quart.

Cattle and hog prices are good. Fat steers are selling at 120G per kilo or \$.40 per pound. Cows are 100G per kilo or \$.33 per pound. Milk cows are from 60,000G to 100,000G or \$400.00 to \$640. Hogs all sizes fat hogs up to 120 G per kilo or \$.40 per pound. I sold 3-7 a week old shoats today for 2000G each or \$13.30 per

head.

The eggs are selling around \$.40 per dozen or 110G per dozen. Heavy hens and roasters are up to 500G a piece or \$3.25 a piece. Milk is selling at 30G per litro or \$.20 a quart. Cheese and meat are high.

#### Norfolk, New York-Ben Schwartz

June 8th we had a light frost in this area and stayed cool till about the first day of summer, then on the 24th it was 90 degrees.

A lot of the corn won't make the (knee high till the 4th of July) due to the cool weather. Haymaking is in full by the 30th which is a fair crop.

July has been a very good month with about 8 inches of rain. The crops really grew fast. The warmest temperature we've had was about 90 degrees. The pastures are holding up surprisingly good. Pig price is still down. Heifers have dropped some from what they were.

We bought a butter churn for the cheese house about 150 miles north of here in the French country, and to my surprise, they raise tobacco up there, and very nice corn, and yet they are over 600 miles north of Lancaster, Pa. and land up there is selling for 3 and 4 hundred dollars an acre. It is very level in that area.

#### Clymer, New York - Walter Troyer

July was dry and humid till the last week, then we got 3 inches of rain. Hay was a very good crop oats are looking good with none cut to this date. Corn looks like a good crop and is tassling out. Beef is still a good price. Dairy cows are still high. Pigs came up some but not much. High temperture is in the 80 and 90 degrees almost every day.

#### Conewango Valley, New York - Moses Stutzman

Market report: top dairy cows for July from \$1210.00 to \$1625.00, bulls,  $47\frac{1}{2}$  cents to  $59\frac{3}{4}$  per lb., beef cows, 47 to 52 cents, heifer calves, 1.80 to  $1.77\frac{1}{2}$  a lb., veal calves 90 cents to  $1.27\frac{1}{2}$  a lb., butcher hogs, 42 cents to  $43\frac{1}{2}$  cents a lb., 60 lb. feeder pigs, 40.00 and on down.

Second crop hay is being made a few places and oats is being cut at places and seems to be a good crop and barns are being filled.

We had enough rain to keep things growing, but no wet weather in fields. Some weeks not good to dry hay, having light rains and cloudy.

#### Centre County [Brush Valley], Pennsylvania - David B. Stoltzfus

The first half of July we saw an ever-increasing drought with occasional showers amounting to several tenths and an oncoming heat wave lasting for more than two weeks. Hard storms on the 16th and 17th with two inches of rain gave relief to the thirsty looking cornfields for 3 or 4 days. Scattered light showers the following week gave temporary relief again to corn which happened to be planted on stony ridges or that which didn't get as much rainfall. With one week of July left, cooler nights seemed to indicate a change in weather and brought a slow, steady rain on the 28th and 29th with scattered showers, from one half to two inches of rain, the higher amounts falling where it was driest with the exception of the west edge of the settlement, which is still dry. The early morning storm of July 17th, an unusual amount of trees blew down and did damage to several barn roofs, especially on the south side of the valley where evidence of a twister could be seen for several miles. Alfalfa was short for second crop, but is now looking good. Early corn is in tossel.

#### Montour County, Pennsylvania - Amos K. Stoltzfus

July was a warm and dry month. We had dry in the beginning, and on the 11th we had quite a hail storm, here at our place we had like marbles, some of the neighbors had like golf balls and some people made ice-cream. On the 28th we had ½ inch of rain again. Corn is coming in tassels, some just alittle better than knee high. Some corn looks good. Tomatoes and tabacco both look fair. Wheat was a good grop this year. Some averaged 55 bushel per acre and better than 100 bale straw per acre. So far didn't hear what the oats made. Wheat prices were in high \$3.00 to the low \$4.00. Grain prices are going up.

#### Lebanon County, Pennsylvania - Levi S. King

Weather in general was dry during July, with only about 2.2 inches of rain. Corn is short and curled somewhat during the day and second crop hay was less then—usual. Wheat was extra good this year with yields of from 40 to 75 bushel per acre and lots of nice straw. Corn prices have gone up as a lot of farmers that usually sell some are keeping it in case it dosen't give much this fall. In our are (shale soil) we need a good rain before long or the crop will not be much.

#### Leola, [Bareville area], Pennsylvania - Levi L. Stoltzfus

Rainfall for Bareville area in July was 2.3 inches; July 13, 17, and 18th we had a temperature of around 102 degrees in shade.

Market report:

Fat steers high choice and prime \$70.50-\$76.00 cwt.; feeder steers \$67.00-\$87.00 cwt.; fat hogs \$43.00-\$44.60 cwt.; 40 pound feeder pigs \$50.00-\$67.00 cwt.; choice veal \$98.00-\$115.00 cwt.; dairy cows at New Holland \$1100.00-\$1675.00; hay \$42.00-\$104.00 ton; Straw \$38.00-\$62.00 ton; corn \$3.55 bu.; from \$72.00-\$112.00 ton; wheat \$4.20 bu.; barley \$2.35 bu.; oats \$2.00 bu.; eggs \$.70 doz.; light hens \$.10 lb., heavy \$.25 lb. rosters \$.45 lb.; potatoes retail \$10.00 cwt.; milk \$11.92 cwt.

#### Chester County, Pennsylvania - J. Elmer Lapp

June was mostly cool for this time of the year, low temperature to 38 and 40 degrees on the 9th and 11th. Although it warmed up pretty good during the afternoon. We had quite a few nice showers off and on all month. Total rainfall was 4.8 inches. Two inches of this being on the 28th in the evening and during the night, then again on the 29th. Also had some hail but very little damage in our area.

Some nice hay was put in. First cutting alfalfa was mostly finished by the 7th, mixed hay as much as 2 weeks later.

Barley harvest is about over with a fair crop. Although there is not much farmed among the Amish people.

Cherries are in season for about a week. Quantity and quality are good, price is high, \$.40 to \$.50 a pound if you pick them.

July was warm with occasional thunder showers. On the 16th there was a pretty heavy storm, becoming very dark around 4:30, so that lights were needed. High winds brought damage to trees and roofs. Also 2 inches of rain in about ½ hour. There were 4 days of over 100 degrees temperature, from the 18th to 21st.

Second cutting hay was finished mostly the first half of the month, being a fair crop and good quality as most of it-was put in without rain. Corn was beginning to wilt in the afternoon sun until the last week we had a few nice showers. A total of 3.3 inches all month

A dairy farmer near Sadsburyville lost 17 cows that were struck by lightning on the 16th. A few more were injured.

#### St. Marys County, Maryland - Susie Stoltzfus

July was a warm month. We had 100 degrees or more, six different times, 105 degrees at the highest, on the 17th and 21st. The total rainfall was around 2.3 right here; it varied at different places. Some had a lot, while others had just a little. It was dry sometimes. Crop yields are not as big as usual. But we still have a lot to be thankful for.

#### Dover, Delaware - Neil N. Hershberger

June was a very good month. Plenty of rain and yet some good drying weather for those who mowed hay at the right time. Temperature was about normal with a high of 93 degrees on the 27th and a low of 44 degrees on the 9th. Total rainfall for the month was 7.6 inches, spread out that most of it was of good use.

Hay crop was heavy. Grain and straw looks good. Spring oats look extra good. Thrashing time is here for barley but have not heard any yield. Several hard thunder storms passed through this area with some places having hail to the extend that windows were broken.

#### Delta [York County] Penna. - Andrew H. Beiler

The weather for June in the area was still pretty cool, we had ½ inch of rain the 2nd. We had showers the 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th and 10th, nine tenths on the 15th and nine tenths the 28th and 29th. Which gave the corn a good start. July was quite dry. We had weather with a high of 109 degrees on the 16th followed by strong winds and four tenths inches of rain, that afternoon we had a shower the 21st, and the 28th, the corn is coming out in tossels, alot shorter than the last few years, it is still growing slowly.

#### Southern Snyder County, Penna. - Sam M. Troyer

July turned out to be quite dry, growing things are sort of just standing still. Wheat is off and a lot is thrashed. Oats are ripe. Corn is in tossle and rolling much of the time. Pasture is dry and short

Fruit looks quite well. There will be plenty of apples and peaches by the looks of things. So far t(B summer has been a fruitful year. We heard the first katydid on the 24th.

#### Mifflin County, Penna. - Catherine Swarey

July was a month of 19 warm sunny days often a warm wind which caused ground to dry off fast, highest temperature varied in different places 104 degrees to 110 degrees. Different times we had thunder and lightning but only a few sprinkles. Most of July days and nights were warm but the latter part we had some rain and cooler nights. Total rainfall for the month was 3.4 inches. Wheat has been thrashed, still some oats to thrash. Katydids have been heard for about a week. Corn is in tassel but is short.

#### Adams County [Gettysburg] Penna. - Elizabeth A. Stoltzfus

Believe a good description for our July weather would be warm and dry, especially for the last half of it. Morning temperatures were mostly in the upper sixties or lower severties, with the coolest morn of 48 degrees on the 7th. We had several days between the 15 degrees to the 21st with daytime temperatures about the 100 degrees mark, with I believe the highest of 105 degrees on the 21st. That afternoon a cool wind came up and also had thunder showers of three tenths of an inch and on the 22th we had four tenths of an inch and on the 8th we had five tenth of an inch. So that in July we only had 1.2 inches of measureable rainfall. Corn fields are a sad looking sight dubing the day. Oats is being thrashed and is a good crop.

## Crawford County, Penna. - Mrs. Menno Fisher

July started in dry, but after the 4th we had numerous thundershowers. Total rainfall for the month was 7.9 inches. Maxium temperature, 88 degrees, minimum, 42 degrees. Some nice second cutting hay was made the latter part of the month. A good crop. Corn looks good, oats also look like a good crop. And is ready to binder, but the fields are too wet to get in, at present.

Salisburg, Penna. - David A. Kinsinger

First part of June was cool and wet. A lot of corn was late getting into the ground. The last 2 weeks were excellent hay weather giving farmers time to put in a good crop of nice hay. Some good hay is being sold for \$25.00 a ton out of field.

#### Franklin County, Penna. - Jacob Flaud

We had dry weather through July. Very little rainfall, several showers. But corn should have more rain to make ears. We had real warm days. Second crop alfalfa was short. Had a good first crop so have lots to be thankful for.

#### Meyersdale [Somerset County] Penna. - Mary A. Kinsinger

The weather for July was quite warm and dry for several weeks, but has been some better. We had between 4 and 5 inches of rain but just on several occasions. The 7th we had almost 3 inches and some places more but had heavy thunder and lightning a large part of the day. The eve of July 21st we had another heavy thunder storm and some rain. It rained very scattered. Some places a lot more then others.

Wheat cut and thrashing about to begin. Some sweet corn and

tomatoes are on the menus too.

#### Southern Mercer County, Penna. - Mrs. E. H. Kurtz

July has been real warm with 5 days of 90 degrees or over. Had quite a few nice sunshiny days, also 10 days of rainy weather with several real heavy rains. Farmers have started to cut oats and also some threshing done. Beef cattle were from \$3.00 to \$4.00 higher with top steers at \$69.75, choice heifers at \$59.75 to \$63.75, cows from \$46.00 to \$52.00. Vealers were \$5.00 to \$8.00 higher with choice vealers at \$90.00 to \$107.00. Standards \$65.00 to \$75.00. Hostein calves for feeders from \$95.00 to \$153.00. Fat hogs were \$1.00 higher with tops at \$47.00. Sows from \$25.00 to \$39.25. Feeder pigs from \$12.00 to \$23.00. Sheep from \$50.00 to \$77.00. Mixed hay \$33.00 to \$65.00 a ton. Timothy \$43.00 to 65.00 a ton. Ear corn \$74.00 to \$85.00 a ton, oats \$75.00 to \$101.00.

#### Mercer county, Penna. - Dan J. Troyer

July had wonderful growing weather. Had some rain on the 5. Monday the 7 it was lightning and thundering nearly all night and rained one and three tenths inch. The 15th and 16th it rained eight tenth, 21st and 22nd, one and four tenth, 27th, 28th and 29th, we had two and two tenths inch. Some places not too far away they had a lot more. One horse killed in the neighborhood by lightning on the night of the 7th. Oats cutting at hand, some fields are soft since the last rain. Corn is in tassels. All crops are looking good.

#### Geauga County, Ohio - Eli E. Miller

We had plenty of rain in July. Good corn weather with real warm days and nights.

Oats all cut, wheat and spelt thrashing started. Nice second crop hav is ready to be cut.

Egg prices are down. Hog prices are up a little, some up to \$44. per 100 lb. Top feeder pigs at last sale were 59 cents a lb.

#### Western Tuscarawas County, Ohio - Jonas N. Borntrager

Wheat is thrashed which seemed to be a good crop. Speltz and oats are still in the shock. Oats is a heavy crop. Farmers are busy thrashing and putting up second cutting hay. Corn looks very good on the hills. Some bottom fields were planted twice and still drowned.

This was an unusual wet summer. Had  $9^{1/2}$  inches of rain in July. With all the rain we had, we had some sunshine everyday in July. Gardens and pastures were good this summer. Lawn had to be moved every week.

#### South Eastern Holmes County, Ohio - John L. Yoder

We had excellent growing weather for June. Pastures are still nice and green, some corn fields not too good due to wet weather we had the forepart of the month. The latter part we had good hay weather with most of it in at this writing. Barley is cut and wheat changing color.

Hog prices also better. Not much change in cattle.

#### Wayne County [Kidron Area] Ohio - John L. Stutzman

We had some heavy rains. And some very warm days. The corn looked spotty of earlier cool and wet weather. But it has made a big change. Wheat is a fair crop. But a lot to be thrashed yet. Moisture test from 15 to 19, too high to store. Oats looks like a good crop. And most of it is cut and on shock. Sweet corn is coming on the table.

#### South Eastern Holmes County, Ohio - John L. Yoder

For July we had some hot and humid days, along with some thunderstorms. Thermometers registering in the upper 90 degrees. Plenty of moisture, with pasture fields and second crop hay nice and green. Hail and wind storm hit some sections, July 11th, damaging some crops. Wheat thrashing is on the go when weather permits. Some oats is cut. Hog prices advancing some, not much change in cattle prices.

#### Holmes County, Ohio - John H. Yoder

First part of July was wet. A lot of thunder and severe hail storm. Hail so big and it came down so thick as some people never seen it before. A lot of farmers had there whole crop of corn and oats a total loss, and also gardens. Alot of windows were broken. Cutting oats is almost done. Most of the wheat and speltz is thrashed. Fruit seems to be plentiful. There were lots of cherries and looks like a good crop of peaches, whoever has orchards. Early apples are plentiful, grass is still green. Second cutting hay is starting. Month of July was really warm. Temperature was in the high 90 degrees. The heat wave seems to be broken after a good rain at this writing.

#### Western Holmes County, Ohio - Monroe A. Weaver

July was warm and plenty of moisture. Eleven days it was in the 90 degrees, up to 98. We had over 6 inches of rain.

Wheat is a fair crop, not all thrashed yet. Oats is nearly all cut,

looks good. Second cutting hay is fair.

Hogs sold up to 47.40 at Mt. Hope on Wednesday. Pigs are a little higher. Grain and feed prices are much higher, due to warm weather and drought in the S. W.

#### Eastern Holmes County, Ohio - Raymond S. Weaver

July weather here in eastern Holmes County has been changeable though pleasant. A few days of very warm weather the middle of the month. Some very nice soaking showers.

There was what appeared to be a twister through here the night of the 16th after midnight leaving some damage to roofs, toppling silos and uprooting trees. We also felt the tremors of the earthquake Sunday P. M. July 27, as of now wheat is about all threshed. Oats and corn look especially promising at this time.

#### Ashland County, Ohio - Ammon A. Troyer

Had quite a few hot and humid days in July, we had four and eight tenth inches of rain, of course it varies at different places, it's hard to get second crop hay dried, most of oats is cut.

#### Allen County, Indiana - Mrs. John Schmucker

July was hot and muggy a great share and also had very nice rains. Our hottest day was the 15th, being a 104 degrees. Also other days in high 90's. Wheat is all thrashed and also quite alot of the oats. Second cutting hay is made.

#### LaGrange County, Indiana - Miss Anna Eash

We had a real warm summer month with storm activities at times. We had a thundershower over noon hour and lightning was sharp and loud for awhile. On Saturday, July 5, some real dark clouds came up and we had a tornado like winds, tearing trees, some roofs, etc. and a shower of rain, it cleared off and was a real nice day. July 8th, temperatures went up to 93 degrees and it was humid. We had some 100 degree days and real nice showers. However the last few days it was not so warm but is again humid. At present we have sufficient moisture. However some corn suffered and will probably make small ears. Wheat is being well and fruit seems to be plentiful.

Many reunions are on the go and so we are kept busy. We feel so grateful for all good gifts that come from Him above.

#### Daviess County, Indiana - Elizabeth Mae Raber

July was a very warm and dry month. We had 17 days that the temperature was from 90 to 100 degrees and 5 days of 100 degrees or more with a high of 102 degrees on the 15th. We now had a good rain of 2 inches on the 27th, had some at night, which should help

the corn, as some was just getting ears. Don't know if the warm and dry weather hurt the corn much or not, but it looks good now. For those that have pickle patches this rain should also give them a boost, some were doing fair with others not so good.

#### Kokomo, Indiana - Mrs. Ivan J. Gingerich

June was more of a wet weather month for this area. We often had stormy weather with our excess rainfall. Several farmers had to replant sections of the fields due to crops drowning. The first part of July then found people wishing for rain as it was quite dry for this area. The morning of July 21st we awakened to a welcome steady drizzling rain which was a life saver for the crops. Many got nice second cutting hay put up without rain. Our warmest day was July 15 with temperature reaching 103-105 degrees. It was very warm till our rain on the 21st often accompanied by medium high winds. The rest of July was more pleasant with occassional showers. Tomatoes and sweet corn were ready but most had rather small early potato crop.

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#### Lovington, Illinois - Henry R. Yoder

Plenty of hot weather in July, it was real pleasant in first part of the month. From the 7th on it was hot with temperature in the three digit numbers in daytime till 21st then the heat let up some following a nice rain. Since then it was somewhat more mild with another rain on the 27th. The heat without rain is claimed to have hurt the corn yield but just how much is not determined yet. Soybeans look good but will probably need rain too, along, for a good yield.

The reports of drought in the plains has caused the markets to appreciate quite an extent. Soybeans are over the \$7.00 mark and corn up to around \$3.00. Wheat around \$3.75 per bushel.

The demand is better for feeder pigs. Oats threshing is about ½

overwith as of July 29th.

Sweet corn is also more of a short crop. Tomatoes are coming on nicely. Apricots and cherries were plentiful and so are apples at this time.

The month of June gave plenty of growth. On first of June we had around 3 inches of rain and hardly any wind. Then small showers along and on the 23rd we had another shower of nine tenth inch, which made ideal growing weather perhaps a little on the cool side of average therefore the corn did not grow as fast as at some years. However thru Moultrie and Douglas County, corn and soybeans look ideal, mostly good stands amd mostly clean with the earliest corn is about in tassels. First cutting hay is made and started to cut on second cutting.

Wheat is ripe and good prospects oats beginning to turn with average prospects. Hog and cattle market has appreciated hogs, \$8. to \$10. per hundred, demand for feeder pigs had increased, demand is good for calves and grass cattle. Corn has increased from \$2.38 per bushel to \$2.62 and beans from \$5.95 to \$6.23, corn is moving to market at a rather swift speed, also soybeans.

#### Guthrie, Kentucky - Jesse D. Peachey

June was a very dry month until the last day, we had a much needed 31/2 inches of rain.

Wheat harvest was late and is still not quite finished. Some didn't plant beans because of drought and what were planted didn't come up very well. Corn is tasseling. Wheat, 3.60, corn, 2.65, beans, 6.25.

#### Marion, Kentucky - Samuel Hertzler

The month of July has gone on record as being the warmest for many years. Up until the 22nd, it was over 90 degrees every day

and over 100 degrees a number of times. In the cities it goes higher than in the country. From the 22nd, it took a drop of about 10 degrees cooler, and has reached 90 degrees only a few times since. That 10 degrees difference brought a great relief. The end of June, and the first part of July was wet, but after that we had no rain until the 27th and 28th, we had seven tenth of an inch.

The hay and grain crop was good. Reports are of rising hay

prices due to the drought further south and west of here.

Interest rate on money is down to 11 per cent. But reports are that the people who shut down due to high interest, are not in a hurry to borrow money.

#### Hollow Rock, Tenn. - Mrs. Rudy Troyer

The month of July was very unusually warm with temperatures rising as high as 110 degrees in towns. It didn't cool off nights like it usually does here in Tenn., making sleep more restless. With the heat we had the soil dried out faster, too. Some garden things and corn fields showed it. We also had some rain, which was quite variable in amount.

#### Ethridge, Tenn. - Mrs. Mose J. Gingerich

July started in very warm and humid with a good thunder storm on the 3rd and 13/4 inches of rain. July 6, we had another wind and thunder storm blowing some trees down, etc. Then we had about 2 weeks of the heat wave which dried things out very fast. Around the 22nd we had some more heavy rains. Which really brought things out green again. We started thrashing wheat in our ring on the 8th, finished thrashing oats on the 29th. Oat straw was short but the grain a fair quality. Pepper canneries are starting to take

#### Hollow Rock, Tenn. - Mrs. Rudy Trover

The first week of June was very warm and sultry. The night of the 7th we had wind and rain. The amount of rain reported through out the community varied some from .3 inch to  $1^{1/2}$  inch. Two funnels were seen that night but no damage was reported. The second week was rather cool for June. The 23rd brought 1 inch of rain and the morning of the 29th we had a genuine gully-washer accompanied with some wind and alittle hail, bigger than marbles. It amounted to about 2 inches.

Most of the thrashing is done. Wheat and oats in general were both a fair crop.

Top hogs are up to 42 cents in price. Okras and peppers raised for the produce company are starting.

#### Pleasantville [Perry County] Tenn. - Ruth J. Miller

July was a very dry month until around the 22nd it rained 21/2 inches before the rain everything was beginning to dry up, so we are thankful to the Lord for again suppling our need. I do tho feel sorry for the people in other states that didn't have any rain. But I have confidence that the Lord knows what he's doing. Around the first of July the temperature was around 110 degrees or over. Alot of people died because of heat strokes.

The month of June was rather dry and humid, around noon usually it would be over 100 degrees, so of course the creek felt

awfully good then.

The total rainfall for the month was about 3 inches.

All vegetables are ready now, and everythings is being enjoyed by everyone.

#### Clark, [Audrian County] Missouri - Samuel D. Beachy

On July 2, we had about 2 inches of rain which helped alot, the only rains since was a few light showers on July 20th and 26th. We experienced an unusual heat wave which lasted 3 weeks, most days going above 100 degrees, sometimes up to 108 degrees, but the week of the 20th it was cooler quite a few lost chickens, swine and even a few horses from the heat. Thrashing is completed by this time, with good yield. Corn is hurt from heat and drought, garden vegetables are in short supply, grasshoppers are plentiful.

#### Windsor, Missouri - Mrs. Monroe Hershberger

We had enough moisture up until June that our crop got a good start and gardens looked real promising. But then we ended up June with less then 2 inches of rain, during the month, so now we are at a critical stage and we'd really need alot of rain for our gardens to even snap out of this drought.

My strawberries did much better then we expected and we've canned alot of rhubarb, and peas again. Tomatoes are ripening.

having dry rot, and look poorly. Our early sweet corn that we hoped to be eating by last week, dried up and we'll cut it for fodder. Our raspberry patch that beared last year, from mid June to mid August is probably about past, unless we still get good rains.

We thrashed our wheat the 27th which yielded poorly, but lots of straw. The reports among outsiders is all from 40 to 60 bushels an acre.

The last 5 days of the month ended with 100 degrees temperature each day, cooling off nicely nights though.

#### Anabel, Missouri - Abe Y. Borntreger

June was rather dry with a few light showers. In areas not far away they had plenty moisture. Temperatures were below average. Had a few hot days towards last of month. Hay is mostly harvested, a fair to average crop. Wheat harvest started just before July 1st. Reports are above average yield. Oats are turning and look very good. Early corn will be shoulder high by 4th of July. Hog prices up to near mid 40 degrees. Milk steady at \$11.30 - 3.5 test. Corn bought from elevator up to \$2.70 per bushel.

July has been above average warm having 1¾ inches rain July 2 and 3 and another one and three tenth inch on July 20th. Thirteen days we had over 100 degrees, with July 19, 107 degrees. Some individuals having as high as 111 degrees. Lots of this high fertilized corn has just burnt up, not making hardly anything. Gardens are also partly burnt up, as we're having so dry and often a wind with it, which drys up in a hurry, and sometimes almost feels hot. Oats was a fair crop. Also first cutting hay. Sweet corn is poor. No one getting hardly any to can. String beans and cucumbers also poor. Sugar prices are up over 5.00 per 10 lbs. Corn is \$3.03 a bushel.

#### Seymour, [Webster County] Missouri - Menno D. Schwartz

This was a very warm month, a many a day being over 100 degrees. It's 107 degrees today, the 30th. This has been about the warmest and dryest I have ever experienced. Ever thing brown, some started feeding hay. Garden things drying up. Also not tasting right and it doesn't have the right flavor. Grapes still looking alright, but I am wondering.

We thought we had enough hay, but now I don't know. We lost a mare that got stuck in mud of a pond that went dry. Hardly any corn is making ears this year. Silo filling may have to start soon,

while there is still greenage.

Some are digging their potatoes, is not a big crop. But are thankful it isn't worse. Missouri had lots of deaths from the heat. Hog prices are up \$44.50, but corn up too \$3.72 a bushel, so still isn't very good. And of course our hogs don't work through the day, they think its too hot. Grade C milk, \$11.05 so that helps.

#### Jamesport, Missouri - Amos W. Yoder

We had quite warm and dry through July. There were about 11 days that temperature went above 100 degrees and as high as 107 degrees several days. We had  $3^{1/2}$  to 4 inches rain throughout the month. Corn and beans look fair yet and could still yield well enough if we'd get more rain soon. Oats yielded from 40 to 70 bushel per acre, but some was just mowed for hay, it being too thin or short or too much weeds in it to harvest for grain. Pastures and lawns are mostly brown.

#### Beebe, Arkansas - Lester F. Graber

June has brought with it the completion of the wheat harvest and oats as well. I think all of the Amish are finished thrashing. It

was a good crop this year.

Soybeans are all planted by now. Weatherwise, the last week in June was very warm, temperatures in the 90's most days, and for a few days going above 100 degrees. Very little breeze at this time.

The forepart of June, up to the last week, had some very nice weather. Most nights were cool, with temperatures in the 70 degrees during the day. But summer has finally come!

#### Reno County, [Partridge area] Kansas - Edward Mast

The first 20 days of July were 100 degrees or warmer with no rain. On the 20th we got about 1 inch of rain. Varying quite a bit throughout the area. Than a week of cooler weather. The last 5 days were 100 degrees and over again.

Most of the wheat ground has been plowed or chiseled. The row

crops are still quite green but not growing very fast. Irrigation farmers have quite a time keeping corn alive. A lot of sweet corn got ears but no kernels because the tassels were scorged and didn't pollinate.

#### Haven [Reno County] Kansas - Mrs. E. E. Schrock

We had 4 weeks of 100 degrees and so we were very happy for a break on Sunday night., July 20. Hasn't been up to the 100 degrees mark since. Hoping we may have cooler weather in August. Oat thrashing is done and think most of the plowing is done since the nice 2 inch rain, the rain was very spotted some places in the area they just had 1 inch.

#### Johnson County, Iowa - Eli S. Borntreger

Weather remains dry, but corn looks real good yet. Thrashing and combining is pretty well over with. Some oats were real good, up close to a hundred bushel, but the weeds nearly took over in some fields. We also had real warm weather, but not so warm as in the south and west states.

#### Buchanan County, Iowa - Joe A. Yoder

The weather for the month of July was more on the warmer side with about 4½ inches of rain for this community. Thrashing is going in full swing. I think oats yielding about average, around 50 bushel per acre. Also some second cutting hay being made which is fair.

Three days temperature was in the 70 degrees, 15 days in the 80 degrees and 12 days in the 90 degrees. Some reported 100 and over for a few days.

#### Harmony, Minnesota - Mrs. Chriss H. Stutzman

Had dry weather most of July with some very warm days. The 19th we had 1 and eight tenth inch of rain, which helped the corn and vegetables. Had some light showers off and on. Farmers are cutting oats and making second cutting hay.

#### Utica, Minnesota - Atlee J. Shetler

Our long dry spell which we had through June and first part of July ended when we got up to  $1\frac{1}{2}$  inches during the week of the 14th. And again no rain throughout the rest of the month.

Second cutting hay was short. Corn on a average looks good however some fields on lighter soils were hurt considerably. Oats thrashing has begun, with fair yeilds and good quality.

#### Wilton, Wisconsin - Jacob D. Hochstetler

July was warmer than average for Wisconsin. Was real dry until the 14th. Corn fields suffered some as quite alot of corn was getting tassels. Corn curled during the daytime. Second crop hay is short. Had rain the 14th and also the 15th. It rained again on the 19th with quite a lot of wind. Had around 3 inches of rain in July. Pastures are doing better again since the rains. Most of the oats is in shock or being combined. Roasting ears are just starting to ripen also tomatoes. Blackberries are ripe but small on account of the dry weather.

#### Blair, Wisconsin - Mrs. Mose S. Miller

July was hot and dry, reaching 100 to 105 degrees in the daytime. Nights cooled off some. Had a few showers now and then but not enough to soak down much, till the 25th it was damp, and rainy all day. But was only three tenth of an inch. The corn in the fields is curled up and drying up. Lawns are turning brown, pastures are holding out quite well.

Second cutting hay is being made. Oats has been cut and shocked for a few weeks. Thrashing has started. Oats yields fair.

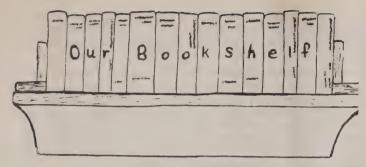
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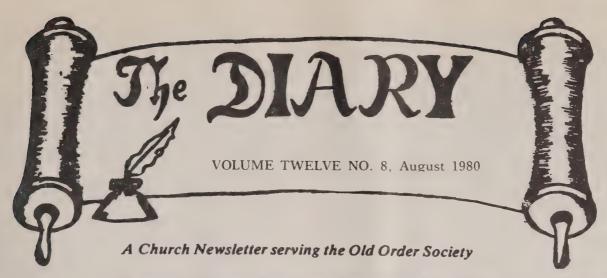
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# **COMMUNITY NOTES**

#### Lancaster County, Pa. - Two Boys Killed in Car-Buggy Accident

David Y. Esh, 16, son of Levi A. and Naomi (Lapp) Esh, of 85 Old Leacock Rd., Ronks, Pa. and Melvin R. King, 16, son of Henry S. and Nancy E. (Riehl) King, of 109 E. Millport Road, #3 Lititz, were fatally injured on Sunday, August 10, when a car slammed in back of the buggy in which they were riding. The accident happened along the Old Philadelphia Pike, near Bird-in-Hand. Three others in the buggy were injured. In critical condition at the Lancaster General Hospital was Benuel King, 16, of Gordonville, son of Jacob S. King; Sylvan Stoltzfus, 17, of 17A. Lesal Rd., son of Isaac Z. Stoltzfus and John King, 16, of New Providence, son of Amos K. King. (See obituary).

#### Geauga County, Ohio - Boy Killed When Struck by Lightning

Henry E. Mullet, 14, son of Bishop Eli Mullet, died Aug. 8. He was instantly killed when struck by lightning while helping thrash on the Dan D. Miller farm. (See obituary).

Paradise, Pa. - Boy, 3, Dies After Fall

Levi F. Miller, #1 Paradise, age 3, died July 30. He tripped on the ground and fell backwards and hit the back of his head on the edge of concrete. He died in the hospital 31 hours later. (See obituary).

#### Kokomo, Indiana - Two Senior Members Die.

Mrs. Henry (Sarah) Mast in her 80's died in June and Mrs. Joe E. (Emma Yutzy Shrock) Herschberger died September 1, on her husbands 88th birthday. Emma was 81 years old in March and was a cancer victim with a bad heart. She had a few days (in the five weeks of her illness) when she suffered pain but mostly she was just uncomfortable enough to make her restless. She had two hospital stays and the last time they sent the oxygen along home which she used quite regular the last two weeks. She was able to die very peacefully then and didn't seem to have to struggle which is a blessing since the cancer was also in her lungs.

#### Mifflin County, Pa. - Senior Member Dies

Senior member, Mrs. Mary Peachey, 92, widow of Josiah H. Peachey, passed away, Aug. 30, funeral to be held September 2. Obituary will be given next month.

#### Anabel, Missouri - Girl Kicked by Horse

Anna, 10 year old daughter of Albert J. and Edna (Yoder) Troyer was kicked in the head by a horse while bringing home the cows on the eve of the 15th. She was rushed to the Mason Hospital and on to the University in Columbia, where they operated and took out the broken bones, etc. She was unconscious for 5 days. She improved fast after gaining conscious and was brought home 8 days later. Her left side is still some paralized, but is up and around, coming along real good. Their address is Anabel, Mo.

#### Dundee, Ohio - Boy Kicked by Horse

David, 11 year old son of Dan A. Yoder was kicked by a horse on August 4th. He was rushed to the doctor's office from there to Massillon Hospital where they operated that eve at 9:30. He was in intensive care till Tuesday noon. He has a broken rib which punctured his liver which caused him to bleed internally. They had to lay out his intestines to clean out the blood. By the time they had the blood cleaned out he stopped bleeding, so they sewed him up again. He has to take it easy for a while.

#### Conewango Valley, New York - Community Notes

Menno Hershberger was in hospital from the 16th to the 19th having had a cake nut kernal in lungs, got infection, almost pneumonia and he also has a heart condition.

Mary M. Stutzman, 23, spent overnight in hospital after upsetting the buggy and hurt her back. The young horse got scared from a truck her brother and sister escaped with bruises.

Elizabeth Coblentz, 12, spent a few days in hospital of lung

infection and asthma problems.

Eli, 5, son of John M. and Susan Shetler, was very sick and in Jamestown Hospital then transferred to Buffalo where they finally came to the conclusion he had over dose or too much vitamin A in his body. He is at home and on the go.

Mosie, 12, son of Eli H. and Sarah Miller broke his left arm below shoulder after falling off of a wagon wheel while watching oats spout

at thrashing.

Yost, son of Pete A. Millers took grain out in pasture to get a horse in and another horse came and kicked at the first horse and hit Yost in 296

side knocking him out. The road men saw it and got the ambulance and he was taken in emergency, but came along home again with only a bruise.

Henry J. Miller, 71, was in the hospital from the 22nd to the 26th of heart failure and fluid. He is at home now and is better. His eye sight was about gone but came back again some. He also has high sugar trouble.

#### Southern Mercer County, Pa. - Community Notes

Bishop Urie J. Byler was a hospital patient to have a tumor removed where he had a ruptured intestine earlier in summer. He is at home again and recovering from his ailment.

Preacher Andy B. Byler fell and broke a rib, bruised a kidney and was in intensive care for a couple of days. He is at home again and able

to do light work again.

Mrs. Urie S. Yoder (Mary) spent 5 days in the hospital. She has high blood pressure, and fluid at her heart.

#### Wayne County, Ohio - Community Notes

David Hershbergers and 3 children were hit by a car on Aug. 24 on their way to church. The buggy was heavily damaged but they received only bumps and bruises and were able to attend church.

Ivan Ray, age 12, son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond L. Miller of #1 Dundee, lost one eye, Aug 19, when he was helping his dad cut wire for a corn crib, when the last wire was cut it flew back into his eyes. His birthday is September 23.

#### Holmes County, Ohio - Community Notes

Deacon Levi J. P. Troyer who had fallen off his barn roof and was in the hospital for 10 weeks, is at home now and slowly improving. He can walk a little with the aid of a walker. He is in Bishop Eli A. Yoder's church and his address is #3, Millersburg, Ohio 44654.

#### **Ethridge, Tennessee - Community Notes**

Moses D. Yoder was in the hospital a few days with bladder trouble. Levi J. Hershberger and son Moses had quite an experience while taking a sow to Laurenceburg sales barn when the sow got unruly Levi looked back to see what was going on. In doing so he got to close to the ditch which was fairly deep at that place, upsetting the wagon, cutting a gash in Mose's arm which required about 7 stitches. Their was plenty help available.

While going to a frolic at Daniel M. Yoders, (their daughter Iva) Preacher Enos A. Yoders front axle came out from under their spring wagon dropping the front down, hurting their son, Moses, 15 years old. He was in Florance Alabama Hospital for 10 days. He hurt his hip

which they put pins in.

#### Chesley, Ontario - Community Note

Jacob, 5 year old son of Gideon and Elizabeth (Yoder) Hershberger went to the Hanover Hospital, Aug. 26, for appenditic operation and is recovering fine.

#### Beebe, Arkansas - Community Notes

Polly D. Borntrager of McRae left for Bronson, Michigan to assume duties as teacher at the Golden Rule school there.

Jacob Troyers moved to the house partly vacated by David S. Borntragers when they moved to Route 2, Smiley, Texas 78159. David's son, Samuel is staying here and taking care of the one chicken

house, while Jacob's wife is taking care of the other one, mostly.

Jacob is still continuing his job on the sawmill at Shetlers, and

Samuel is still continuing his job on the sawmill at Shetlers, as

Preparations are being made in the area to have a reunion of former settlers of Vilonia, Arkansas, now extinct. This reunion is scheduled for September 12, 1980 at the David Miller residence.

#### Johnson County, Iowa - Community Note

A car load from here were to Thomas, Oklahoma, last week to attend the funeral of Amos I. Bontrager, age 84.

#### Lovington, Illinois - Community Notes

Alvin J. Kaufman had open heart surgery on August 11 at Champaign. He recovered real well thus far.

Ruben L. Yoder had the misfortune to upset his buggy. He was coming towards home too fast to make the turn but did turn somewhat and the seat was loose from the carriage which let him fly out and result was a broken jaw bone besides other bruises. He is coming along o.k. It's not noticeable in his face to speak of but he still has trouble in his speech.

#### Buchanan County, Iowa - Community Notes

August 28 was a closing out sale for Mrs. Jonas Helmuth for deposing of Pre. Jonas' (deceased) shop tools and machinery. He was a cabinet maker the last years of his life. Had a large sale and things sold well.

Community note - Wingham, Ontario

Dan N. Stutzman had the misfortune of breaking his arm while helping at Atlee G. Millers with his new barn. The men were raising a timber when it slipped and caught his arm. He has a cast on it. Tobie L. Miller is working there.

# BIRTHS

#### Conewango Valley, New York

Miller, John M. (Gertie Hershberger), a dau. Naomi, Aug. 17 Shetler, Harvey M. (Lydia Miller), a dau. Fannie, Aug. 25

#### Bradford County, Pennsylvania

Girod, Daniel E. (Lovina D. Yoder), Wyalusing R3, a son Daniel Jr.,

Girod, Emanuel E. (Emma J. Byler), LeRaysville R2, a dau. Rosie, July 24

#### Centre County, [Brush Valley] Pennsylvania

Beiler, Christ (Naomi Zook) a son Christ Jr., Aug. 21.

Fisher, Melvin (Sarah Troyer) Madisonburg, a dau. Esther, Aug. 19. Stoltzfus, Christ K. (Rachel Smucker) Spring Mills, a son Jacob, Aug. 22

Stoltzfus, Jacob K. (Sara Huyard) Rebersburg, a son Amos, Aug. 8.

#### Montour County, Pennsylvania

Stoltzfus, Benuel (Annie Beiler) Danville, a son Amos, Aug. 24.

#### Lebanon County, Pennsylvania

Lapp, Amos G. (Fannie Lantz) #2 Myerstown, a dau. Miriam, Aug. 28. Zook, Noah L. (Katie Lapp) #1 Lebanon, a dau. Mattie, Aug. 14.

#### Lancaster County, Pennsylvania

Allgyer, Jonas (Sadie Stoltzfus) #1 Narvon, a dau. Mary S., Aug. 18. Beiler, Amos S. (Barbara G. Esh) #1 Christiana, a dau. Elizabeth E., Aug. 18.

Beiler, Elam S. (Rebecca Esh) #2 Ronks, a dau. Rebecca E., Aug. 1. Beiler, Jacob B. (Fannie L. Stoltzfus) Leola, a son Gideon S., Aug. 11. Beiler, Jonas S. (Mary Ann Stoltzfus) #2 Narvon, a son Melvin Jacob,

Aug. 19.

Blank, John S. (Lavina Fisher).#3 Lititz, a dau. Rebecca F., Aug. 5. Esh, Amos K. (Lydia Lapp) #1 Paradise, a dau. Ruth, Aug. 3.

Esh, David B. (Naomi Ruth Lapp) #1 Gap, a dau. Mary Ann, Aug. 5. Esh, David L. (Annie Stoltzfus) #1 Gordonville, a dau. Sally S., Aug. 17.

Esh, Emanuel L. (Rebecca K. Fisher) #1 Narvon, a son Sylvan F., Aug. 28.

Fisher, Eli E. (Mary King) Lititz, a son Paul, Aug. 2.

Fisher, Ephraim M. (Barbara B. Esh) #1 Cochranville, a dau. Rebecca E., July 28.

Fisher, Henry K. (Elizabeth Fisher) #1 Bird-in-Hand, a son Samuel, Aug. 15.

Fisher, John (Elizabeth Fisher) #1 Kinzers, a son, Aug. 11.

Fisher, John L. (Emma Fisher) #1 Ronks, a dau. Barbara Jean, July 8. Fisher, Levi S. Jr. (Lydia Stoltzfoos) #1 Paradise, a dau. Mary S., Aug. 26.

Fisher, Stephen S. (Sadie Mae Beiler) #1 Ronks, a son Levi B., Aug.

Kauffman, Jacob E. (Fannie Stoltzfus) #1 Christiana, a son Daniel S., Aug. 12.

King, Amos L. (Hannah Beiler) #1 Paradise, a son Elam B., Aug. 3.

King, Benjamin B. Jr. (Malinda Stoltzfus) #2 Honey Brook, a son Elam S., Aug. 10.

King, Daniel K. (Elizabeth Fisher) #1 Bird-in-Hand, a son Reuben F.,

King, Jonathan D. (Susie Fry) Ronks, a dau. Anna Mary, Aug. 10.

King, Jonathan Z. (Fannie Ruth Beiler) #1 Drumore, a dau. Sally, Aug. 18.

Lantz, Jonas (Sylvia Esch) Leola, a dau. Sarah, Aug. 10. Lapp, Amos (Katie Zook) #1 Strasburg, a dau., Aug. 30.

Lapp, Daniel E. (Lydia King) Lancaster, a dau., Linda K., Aug. 7.
Petersheim, Elam R. (Annie King) #2 Gordonville, a son Henry K.,
Aug. 22.

Petersheim, John D. (Mary King) #1 Ronks, twins Stevie and Sarah, Aug. 19.

Riehl, Samuel F. (Susie S. King) Gordonville, a son Jesse K., Aug. 25. Smucker, David F. (Mary E. Kauffman) Christiana, a son, Aug. 27.

Stoltzfus, Abram F. (Sadie Stoltzfus) New Holland, a son, Aug. 3.
Stoltzfus, Ben K. (Anna Mary Stoltzfus) #2 Gap, a son David Lee,
Aug. 25

Stoltzfus, Ben Z. (Salina Swarey) Kinzers, a son Benj. Jr., Aug. 9. Stoltzfus, Christ F. (Mary S. Fisher) #2 Quarryville, a dau. Barbara, Aug. 6.

Stoltzfus, Daniel L. (Susie Petersheim) #3 Quarryville, a son Daniel Lee, Aug. 28.

Stoltzfus, David L. Jr. (Malinda Stoltzfus) #1 Honey Brook, a dau. Retecca S.

Stoltzfus, Earl L. (Barbara Blank) #1 Gap, a dau. Naomi, Aug. 14

Stoltzfus, Elmer (Rosie Beiler) Ronks, a dau. Mary Jane, Aug. 24. Stoltzfus, Jonathan S. (Linda M. Stoltzfus) #1 Narvon, a dau. Ruth Ann, Aug. 23.

Stoltzfus, Jonas (Sarah Esh) #1 Christiana, a dau. Fannie, Aug. Stoltzfus, Levi J. (Anna King) Ronks, a son Steven Jay, Aug. 16. Stoltzfus, Rufus J. (Sarah S. King) #3 Quarryville, a dau. Fannie K., Aug. 25.

Zook, Amos E. (Annie F. Zook) #4 Ephrata, a son Joseph Z., Aug. 22. Zook, John (Sadie Ebersol) Lancaster, a son John, Aug. 1.

#### St. Marys County, Maryland

Ballard, Brad (Ellen Jarret) Charlotte Hall, a son Leonard, Aug. 9. Hertzler, Enos (Fannie Stoltzfus) Charlotte Hall, a dau. Rachel, Aug. 27.

Kurtz, Gideon (Rachel Hertzler) Mechanicsville, a dau. Amanda, Aug. 6.

Stoltzfus, Samuel J. (Lena Hertzler) Mechanicsville, a dau. Lena, Aug. 30.

#### Delta [York County] Pennsylvania

Zook, Amos (Malinda Stoltzfoos) #2 Delta, a dau. Anna.

#### McClure, Pennsylvania

Hostetler, Solomon Y. (Katie A. Speicher) a dau. Beth Sheba Ruth.

#### Mifflin County, Pennsylvania

Hostetler, John (Hettie Peachey) Belleville, a son David, July 31.

Peachey, David (Mary Peachey) Allensville, a dau. Esther, Aug. 25.

Peachey, Jacob (Martha Detweiler) Allensville, a son Sylvan, Aug. 29.

Swarey, Phares (Hettie Swarey) Allensville, a son Abner, Aug. 7.

#### Juniata County, Pennsylvania

Weaver, Roy E. (Olive Hostetler) a sonMark David, Aug. 1.

#### Southern Mercer County, Pennsylvania

Byler, John M. (Nancy J. Byler) Pulaski, a son John J. L., Aug.
Byler, Jonas M. (Katie J. Mast) #3 Volant, a dau. Amanda, Aug. 19.
Hostetler, David A. (Amanda Shetler) #2 New Wilmington, a dau.
Nancy, Aug. 7.

Kurtz, Jacob L. (Nancy C. Byler) #1 New Wilmington, a son Levi, Aug. 19.

Kurtz, Valentine C. (Laura M. Sommers) New Wilmington, a son, Aug.

Yoder, Mose S. (Lovina D. Byler) #6 Mercer, a son Urie, Aug. 17.

#### Somerset County, Pennsylvania

Beachy, Roy D. (Sarah P. Yoder) Grantsville, Md. a dau. Vernie, Aug. 25.

Fisher, Amos L. (Lydia Zook) Meyersdale, a son Ephraim, Aug. 14. Peachey, Joseph A. (Katie Brenneman) Fort Hill, a dau. Lavina, Aug.

Yoder, Pete C. (Lydia Brenneman) Grantsville, Md. a stillborn son, Ervin, Aug. 22.

#### Mercer County, Pennsylvania

Byler, Wollie J. (Linda Lesline) a dau. Miriam, Aug. 22. Coblentz, Allen E. (Sarah Miller) a dau. Laura, Aug. 16. Mullet, Levi J. (Sarah Raber) a son Ivan, Aug. 7.

#### Geauga County, Ohio

Burkholder, Lester (Lovina Miller) Middlefield, a son Sammy, Aug. 7. Byler, Jake (Ida Yoder) Middlefield, a son Samuel, Aug. 15.

Hostetler, Dan (Betty Miller) Middlefield, a dau., July 31.

Mast, Paul E. (Maryann Miller) Middlefield, a dau., Aug. 7.

Miller, Andy (Dorthy Miller) Middlefield, a dau. Emma, Aug. 12. Miller, Melvin M. (Mary Miller) Middlefield, a son John, July 27.

Miller, Neil E. (Mattie Hershberger) Middlefield, a son Eli, Aug. 14.

Miller, Raymond (Barbar Detweiler) Middlefield, a son, July 23.
Miller, Raymond (Rachel Byler) Middlefield, a son Robert, Aug.

Miller, Robert J. (Nora Miller) Hiram, a dau. Nora, Aug.

Miller, Wallace J. (Barbara Detweiler) Middlefield, a dau. Malinda, July 26..

Mullet, Noah (Lizzie A. Weaver) Middlefield, a son, Aug. 7.

Mullet, Owen (Florence Byler) Middlefield, a dau., Nancy, Aug. 6.

Shrock, John Jr. (Emma Wengerd) Middlefield, a dau. Betty, Aug. 15.

Troyer, Eli R. (Rebecca Kurtz) North Bloomfield, a son, Aug. 2.

Troyer, Mose (Edna Miller) Middlefield, a dau. Lorena, Aug. Yoder, Crist A. (Mary Weaver) Middlefield, a son, July 31.

Yoder, Raymond (Martha Wengerd) Burton, a son Daniel, Aug. 6.

#### Wayne County, Ohio

Hochstetler, Ivan (Ruby Miller) #1 Dundee, a dau. Neva, Aug. 6.Miller, Wayne H. (Mary M. Miller) Apple Creek, a son Wayne Jr., Aug. 12.

Schlabach, Vernon (Mary Troyer) Apple Creek, a son Jason David, Aug.

Swartzentruber, Gid Jr. (Esther Yoder) Apple Creek, a son Joseph, Aug. 1.

Yoder, Joe J. (Ella Miller) #1 Dundee, a dau. Marilyn, July 24.

#### Holmes County, Ohio

Burkholder, John D. (Susie Miller) #1 Baltic, a dau. Esther, Aug. 19. Hershberger, Felty A. (Sara Troyer) #1 Baltic, a son Marvin, Aug. 12. Hershberger, Henry (Anna R. Hershberger) #1 Big Prairie, a son Aden, Aug. 30.

Kaufman, Firman N. (Lovella Borntrager) #2 Dundee, a dau. Lovina,

Aug. 11.

Miller, Eli A. (Esta) #4 Millersburg, twins Joseph and Joann, Aug. 16. Miller, Eli N. (Anna Raber) #2 Millersburg, a dau. Freida, Aug. 13.

Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Joe P., a dau. Martha, Aug. 12.

Miller, John S. (Betty Miller) #1 Baltic, a dau. Esta, Aug. 24.

Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Paul M., #2 Millersburg, a son Matthew, Aug. 8. Mullet, John H. (Mary Lou Troyer) #2 Sugarcreek, a dau. Betty Sue, Aug. 14.

Raber, Junior P. (Mary Troyer) #1 Sugarcreek, twins Erma and Elsie, Aug. 14.

Raber, Levi N. (Lucinda Raber) #3 Millersburg, a son Leroy, Aug. 13. Troyer, Andy Jr. (Edna E. Hershberger) #1 Big Prairie, a dau. Ella, Aug. 21.

Troyer, Emanuel A. (Betty Troyer) #3 Fresno, a dau. Esther, Aug.

Weaver, Alvin D. (Laura Yoder) #1 Dundee, a dau. Cindy, Aug. 22.
Weaver, Henry A. (Verna Hershberger) #1 Baltic, a son Jacob, Aug. 15.

Weaver, Joe I. (Ada Schlabach) a dau. Naomi, Aug. 13.

Yoder, Albert E. A. (Edna Nisley) #3 Millersburg, a son Owen, Aug. 10.

Yoder, Andrew D. (Mary Ann Miller) #2 Sugarcreek, a dau. Amanda Sue, Aug. 17.

Yoder, Andy N. (Nettie Yoder) #1 Baltic, a dau. Arlene, Aug. 10.

Yoder, Dan E. (Mattie Yoder) #1 Baltic, a son Wyman, Aug. 22. Yoder, Earl (Clara Troyer) #2 Sugarcreek, a son Timothy, July 31. Yoder, Edwin R. (Sadie Miller) #1 Baltic, a dau. Linda, Aug. 19.

Yoder, Ervin A. (Lena Mast) #1 Baltic, a son Henry, Aug. 10.

#### Hicksville, Ohio

Yutzy, Perry (Rosa Marie Yoder) Hicksville, a son Ivan, July 2.

#### Ashland County, Ohio

Keim, Abram A. (Katie Yoder) a dau. Lydian, July 31. Schwartz, Noah N. (Mattie A. Raber) a dau. Lydia. Weaver, John E. (Clara E. Weaver) a son Levi, Aug. 3. Yoder, Perry H. (Emma D. Miller) a son Daniel, Aug. 19.

#### Allen County, Indiana

Girod, Reuben (Elizabeth Brandenberger) a dau. Lavina, Aug. 20 Wittmer, Edwin (Ann Schwartz) a dau. Barbara, Aug. 1 Wittmer, Ben (Betty Schmucker) a dau. Rebecca, Aug. 28

#### LaGrange County, Indiana

Beechy, Daniel (Edna Schrock) LaGrange, a son Amos, Aug. 10.
Bontrager, Ben (Wilma Hochstedler) Wolcottville, a son Richard, Aug. 18.

Bontrager, Enos (Anna Marie Graber) #2 Shipshewana, a dau. I eona Fern, Aug. 13.

Bontrager, Ernest (Vera Miller) a son Matthew, Aug. 11

Borkholder, Ezra (Elsie Mast) LaGrange, a dau. Polly Anna E., July 30.

Eash, Orla (Lydia Yoder) #2 Shipshewana, a dau. Carolynn, Aug. 18. Frey, Melvin (Rosetta Lehman) LaGrange, a son Dannie, Aug. 19.

Lambright, Orvan (Irma Bontrager) #1 Shipshewana, a son Devon Ray, Aug. 20.

Mast, Christy (Frieda Lambright) Topeka, a dau. Norma, Aug. 19. Mast, Joe (Ruth Miller) Shipshewana, a dau. Mary Elaine, Aug. 19.

Miller, Andrew (Dorothy Bontrager) #2 Topeka, a dau. Eva A., Aug. 8.

Miller, Jonas E. (Ida Miller) #2 Topeka, a dau. Carolyn, Aug. 15.

Miller, Melvin R. (Irene Beechy) Millersburg, a son Danny Jay, Aug. 17.

Miller, Moses (Katie Bontrager) #2 Shipshewana, a son Kenneth, Aug. 8.

Miller, Vernon F. (Marietta Miller) a son Leonard Ray, July 30.

Schlabach, LaVern (Fannie Yoder) LaGrange, a son Paul Wayne, Aug. 17.

Yoder, David (Mary Mullet) Topeka, a dau. Ronda Kay, Aug. 23.

Yoder, Orville (Linda Hershberger) LaGrange, a dau. Ruby Arlene, Aug. 5.

Yoder, William (Glada Eash) #2 Shipshewana, a dau. Karena Ann, Aug. 21.

Burkholder, Owen E. (Carolyn D. Mullet) a son Owen Eugene, July 31 Miller, Lonnie (Cora Sue Gingerich) a dau. Lori Jane, June 8. Schwartz, Ernest (Katie Helmuth) a son Harry Joe, May 24.

#### Daviess County, Indiana

Graber, David (Marilyn Knepp) Montgomery, a son Kevin Dewayne, Aug. 26.

Graber, Fred (Anna Mae Wagler) Odon, a son Norman, Aug. 14.

Knepp, Lester (Rosanna Knepp) Loogootee, a dau. Sharon Kay, Aug. 23.

Knepp, Lloyd (Wilma Jean Graber) Loogootee, a son Henry Eugene, Aug. 11.

Raber, Jacob (Anna Knepp) Montgomery, a son Lonnie Dale, Aug. 27.
Raber, Steven (Anna Mae Knepp) Loogootee, a son David Wayne,
Aug. 17.

Raber, Wilmer (Joyce Knepp) Montgomery, a son Lester Wayne, Aug. 25.

Stoll, Pete (Rosa Lengacher) Loogootee, a son, Aug. 14.

#### Lovington, Illinois

Herschberger, Willard (Edna Mae Miller), a dau. Daneice Marie, Aug. 29

#### Guthrie, Kentucky

Coblentz, Aden (Rhoda Yoder) Guthrie, a dau. Anna Ruth, July 3. Miller, John (Sarah Byler) Guthrie, a dau. Rhoda Fern, Aug. 31 Peachey, John (Fannie Weaver) Guthrie, a dau. Mary Ann, Aug. 16 Peachey, Paul (Bertha Miller) Guthrie, a dau. Rebecca Elaine, Aug. 10

Peachey, Thomas (Leah Yoder) Guthrie, a son Nathan Thomas, Aug. 7

Schlabach, Freeman (Marie Yoder) Guthrie, a dau. Ellen, July 29 Schlabach, Lery (Betty Schlabach) Guthrie, a son James Daniel, July

#### Marion, Kentucky

Mast, Amos (Wilma Ropp) a dau. Sarah, Aug. 14.

#### Ethridge, Tennessee

Zook, Joseph (Katie Gingerich) a son David.

#### Windsor, Missouri

Hershberger, Monroe (Ida Stutzman) a dau. Rosina, Aug. 20.

#### Jamesport, Missouri

Frey, Glen (Arlene Miller) a dau. Sarah Ann, July 30. Gingerich, Fred (Miriam Yoder) a dau. Katherine, Aug. 5. Troyer, Vernon J. (Mary Hershberger) 30n Aaron, Aug. 17.

#### Seymour, Missouri

Eicher, Jake S. (Maggie Schwartz) a son Amos, Aug. 5.

#### LaPlata, Missouri

Borntreger, Mose W. (Katie Yoder) a dau. Mary, July 29.

#### Haven, Kansas

Bontrager, Benny Jay (Louise Knepp) #2 Hutchinson, a dau. Luetta Jean, Aug. 21.

#### Beebe, Arkansas

Miller, William (Alberta Yutzy) a son Ervin, July 23. Shetler, Ivan (Mary Yutzy) a son David, Aug. 20.

#### Johnson County, Iowa

Bontrager, Clayton (Anna Mae Beachy), a son James, Aug. 21 Yoder, Mahlon (Bertha Miller), a dau., Aug 10

#### Bloomfield, Iowa

Gingerich, Dewey (Katie Mae Yoder) a son Aaron, Aug. 3 Gingerich, Harley (Anna Mae Otto) a dau. Marilyn, Aug. 9 Gingerich, Herman (Bertha Herschberger) a son Marlin, Aug. 14 Yoder, Daniel D. (Irene Gingerich) a son Marcus, Aug. 29

#### Buchanan County, Iowa

Bontrager, Henry (Ida Helmuth) Hazleton, a dau. Ruth, Aug. 28 Gingerich, Dan (Leanna Schmucker) Hazleton, a son Samuel, Aug. 14 Helmuth, Rudy (Lydia Gingerich) Hazleton, a dau. Lorene, Aug. 23 Hershberger, Neal (Clara Bontrager) Fairbank, a son Daniel, Aug. 12 Mast, Monroe (Anna Nisly) Fairbank, a son John, Aug. 9 Nisly, John L. (Lucy Lambright) Fairbank, a dau. Miriam, July 30 Schwartz, Reuben (Rosie Mast) Fairbank, a son David, Aug. 3

#### Cashton, Wisconsin

Borntreger, Dan (Anna Miller) a dau. Barbara. Yoder, Neal (Erma Hershberger) a dau. Anna, Aug. 17

#### Blair, Wisconsin

Borntreger, Freddie (Clara Miller), Blair, a son David Perry, July 21 Miller, Lester (Barbara Mast), Blair, a son Joseph, Aug. 12

#### Wilton, Wisconsin

Yoder, Merle G. (Sarah Miller), Tomah, a dau. Miriam, Aug. 12

#### Branch County, Michigan

Schwartz, Emanuel N. (Annie A. Girod), Fremont, a son Reuben, Aug

#### Grey County, Ontario

Gingerich, Abe J. (Mattie Miller), a son Abraham, Aug. 11 Hershberger, Enos M. (Verna Stutzman), a son Andy, Aug. 19 Mast, Ezra J. (Esther Gingerich), a son Menno, Aug. 22

#### Wingham, Ontario

Shetler, Wm. J. (Mary Shetler), Lucknow, a son Joe, July 17

# **BAPTISMS**

#### Bradford Councy, Pennsylvania

By Bishop Ervin R. Miller, Aug. 10. Menno, son of Mose and Elizabeth (Hershberger) Miller Eli, son of Ervin and Katie (Byler) Miller Samuel, son of Levi and Cassie (Hershberger) Miller Daniel, son of Ira and Christena (Mast) Yoder Benjamin, son of Ernest and Veronica (Schwartz) Girod Anna Mary, daughter of John V. and Rosie (Nissley) Byler Linda, daughter of Ammon and Ida Mae (Miller) Yoder

#### Juniata County, Pennsylvania

South District By Bishop Tobe Petersheim, Aug. 24. Homer, son of Atlee L. M. Troyers. Andy, son of Atlee E. Troyers Aden, son of Emory E. Weavers Emma and Erma, twin daughters of Atlee E. Troyers Mary, daughter of Levi Kanagys Susie, daughter of Deacon Christ K. Swarey

#### Mifflin County, Pennsylvania

East District By Bishop Jacob Byler, Aug. 31. J. Lee, son of Joseph and Sarah (Lantz) Byler Andy, son of Pre. Daniel and Annie (Swarey) Yoder Nancy, daughter of Pre. Daniel and Annie (Swarey) Yoder

#### Somerset County, Pennsylvania

Lower Summit Mills District By Bishop Albert E. Brenneman Bertha, daughter of Noah P. and Sarah Summy Elizabeth, daughter of Jacob and Frieda Kinsinger Fannie, daughter of David A. and Amanda Kinsinger Elizabeth, daughter of David and Rebecca Hostetler

#### Middle District Albert, son of Pre. Wilmer and Elizabeth Yoder Urie, son of Milt and Sarah Brenneman Floyd, son of Kore P. and Annie Yoder Enos, son of Joseph and Katie Yoder Mollie, daughter of Enos and Elizabeth Mast Miriam, daughter of Milt and Sarah Brenneman

Upper District By Bishop Bennie Yoder Dannie, son of Pre. Noah B. and Annie Fisher Edwin, son of Samuel and Dora Peachey Annie, daughter of the late Floyd and Amelia Brenneman Effie, daughter of Daniel H. and Elizabeth Kinsinger

#### Wayne County, Ohio

South Mount Eaton District By Bishop Isaac I. Miller, Aug. 24. Duane, son of Raymond L. and Anna (Mast) Miller Willis, son of Roy A. S. and Sarah (Hochstetler) Miller Anna, daughter of Menno L. and Mary (Miller) Yoder Anna, daughter of Atlee L. and Emma (Stutzman) Yoder Clara, daughter of Atlee L. and Emma (Stutzman) Yoder

#### Holmes County, Ohio

Lakeville Northwest District By Bishop David Raber, Aug. 31. Alvin, son of widow Mrs. Andy D. (Clara) Troyer Eli, son of widow Mrs. John (Åda) Raber

#### Sugarcreek, Ohio

Northeast Barrs Mills District By Bishop Jonas N. Borntrager Raymond, son of Vernon A. and Freda (Troyer) Beachy Mary, daughter of Vernon A. and Freda (Troyer) Beachy

#### Holmes County, Ohio

In Abe Hochstetler District By Bishop Jacob Beachy Dwayne, son of Mr. and Mrs. Eli Jr. Miller Allen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Vernon B. Troyer Aaron, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roman J. Coblentz Nelson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Eli A. E. Miller Kennard, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Miller

#### Ashland, Ohio

By Bishop Simon Brenneman, Aug. 10 Sam Jr., son of Sam E. and Susie (Mast) Miller Harley Jr., son of Harley and Agnes Yoder Polly, daughter of Simon and Sadie Brenneman

In Bishop John Brenneman District, Aug. 17 Aaron, son of Eli W. and Ada Weaver Abe, son of Atlee and Mary Wengerd Andy, son of Paul E. and Susan Schrock Emma, daughter of Roy M. and Katie (Shrock) Coblentz Laura, daughter of Mrs. Polly Brenneman

In Bishop Abe D. Troyer District, Aug. 17 Alma, daughter of Abe J. and Alma (Hershberger) Troyer Fannie, daughter of John E. and Susie Miller

In Bishop Dan A. Miller District, Aug. 10 Anna, daughter of Roman M. and Emma Yoder Mattie, daughter of John J. and Esther (Yoder) Slabach Mary, daughter of Dan A. and Katie (Schwartzentruber) Miller Nappanee, indiana

By Roy Miller, February 9, 1980 Lloyd, son of Eden and Edna (Kuhns) Miller Laverne, son of Eli and Amanda (Graber) Kuhns Floyd Ray, son of Sylvia (Burkholder) Chupp Margaret, daughter of Solomon and Edna (Miller) Hochstetler Treva, daughter of Walter and Arlene (Kemp) Schwartz Leota, daughter of Ammon and Edith (Borkholder) Hochstetler

By Tobias Slabaugh, Aug 24 Marlin, son of John and Laura (Miller) Slabaugh Robert, son of Dan and Barbara (Schwartz) Chupp Leon, son of Melvin and Anna Mae (Chupp) Stutzman Kathryn Sue, daughter of Edward and Edna (Kuhns) Miller

Anna Marie, daughter of Noah and Emma Anderson

By Bishop John Henry Hochstetler Nora, daughter of Elmer and Anna Byler

By Bishop Leroy Nissler, Aug. 24 Rachel, daughter of Melvin Graber (Missouri) Linda, daughter of Jacob and Esther Chupp Norma, daughter of Ray and Barbara Burkholder

By Bishop Tobias Slabaugh, Aug. 23 Mary Lynn, daughter of Herman and Lydia Mae Hochstetler Marlene Kay, daughter of Homer and Frieda Miller Wanda Lynn, daughter of Homer and Frieda Miller Charlene Ann, daughter of (Ollie) Edna Miller Rosetta, daughter of Roman and Martha Kuhns

#### LaPlata, Missouri

By Bishop Jonas S. Bontrager, Aug. 29 Joe, son of Eli P. and Lena (Bontrager) Gingerich Anna, daughter of Eli P. and Lena (Bontrager) Gingerich

#### Marshfield, Missouri

By Bishop Peter Yoder, Aug. 24 Daniel, son of Wiliam and Mattie Yoder (Minnesota) Anna, daughter of Wiliam and Mattie Yoder (Minnesota) Betty Marie, daughter of Freeman and Emma Detweiler Verda, daughter of John and Rosa Raber Dorcas, daughter of Joe and Millie Eicher

Haven, Kansas

By Bishop Jonas P. Borntrager, Aug. 17 Samuel, son of Jonas and Alma (Schrock) Bontrager Samuel, son of Freddie and Treva (Knepp) Yoder Katherine, daughter of Eli W. and Katie (Yoder) Miller

#### Beebe, Arkansas

By Bishop Ura I. Yoder, Aug. 31 Ferman, son of John Yutzy Sarahann, daughter of William Miller

#### Wilton, Wisconsin

Amos M. Borntreger District (West) Eli A., son of Amos M. and Fannie Borntreger Benjamin J., son of John and Mary Yoder Edith M., daughter of Mahlon and Barbara Borntreger

Amos M. Borntreger District (East) Mose C., son of Clemens and Lizzie Bonrntreger Mose J., son of Joe and Fannie Borntreger Millie J., daughter of Joe and Susan Borntreger

#### Cashton, Wisconsin

North District By Bishop Atlee Miller Jonas, son of Andrew Schrock Rudy, son of Joe C. Borntreger Eddie, daughter of Perry Keim Quertin and Virginia Feitner Susan, daughter of Raymond (Raber) Hochstetler Mary, daughter of Joe Helmuth Mattie, daughter of Edwin Gingerich

In East District Ivan, Ervin and Wm., sons of Levi W. Miller John, son of Gid Miller Mary Ann, daughter of Eli Mullet Katie, daughter of Chester Kauffman Amanda, daughter of Mahlon Sommers

In West District By Bishop Menno M. Hershberger David, son of John Herschberger Mahlon, son of Perry Miller Wallace, son of Melvin M. Hershberger Clara, daughter of Wm. Schmucker

In South District By Bishop Harvey Miller Melvin, son of Wm. Kempf Isaac, son of Menno Hershberger Dan, son of Menno Hochstetler Levi, son of Levi A. Miller Alma, daughter of Sam Miller Sara, daughter of Aden Yoder Emma, daughter of Chris Hershberger

# MARRIAGES

Conneautville, Pennsylvania

Raber, Miller - Reuben, son of John and Anna Raber, Conneautville #3, to Hannah Mae, daughter of Andy and Sarah Miller, Springboro, by Dan Gingerich of Bell Center, Ohio, August

Somerset County, Pennsylvania

Wengerd, Yoder - Simon J., son of John and Amanda (Hershberger) Wengerd, Meyersdale, to Clara, daughter of Wilmer and Elizabeth (Slabaugh) Yoder, Salisbury, by Albert E. Frenneman, Aug 14.

Allen County, Indiana

Graber, Brandenberger - Reuben, son of Joseph and Rosa (Schwartz) Graber to Elizabeth, daughter of Martin and Rebecca (Graber) Brandenberger, by Bish. Sam J. Graber. August 14.

Miller, Zehr - Jacob, son of Daniel and Rosa (Eicher) Miller to Mary, daughter of Menno and Leah (Graber) Zehr, by Bish. Menno Hershberger of Cashton, Wisconsin. August 21.

Nappanee, Indiana

Miller, Farmwald - Jerry, son of Joe and Anna (Mullet) Miller to Naomi, daughter of Leroy and Edna Farmwald, by Bishop Freeman Kuhns, July 31.

Daviess County, Indiana

Raber, Wagler - Glenn, son of Jerome and Naomi (Wagler) Raber to Delores, daughter of Enos and Rosanna (Stoll) Wagler, by Ben E. Wagler, Aug. 14.

Graber, Swartzentruber - Mark, son of Francis and Viola (Knepp) Graber to Margaret Rose, daughter of Clara and the late Cletus Swartzentruber, by Ben E. Wagler, Aug. 24.

Guthrie, Kentucky

Swarey, Graber - Daniel, son of Sam and Malinda Swarey to Loretta, daughter of Paul and Anna Graber, by Bish. Simon Yoder. August 28.

#### Anabel, Missouri

Schrock, Borntrager - Samuel S., son of Sam J. and Anna Schrock, Middlebury, Ind. to Ida D. Borntrager, daughter of David A. and Fannie (Hochstetler) Borntrager, Macon, by Bishop Jake Miller of Bowling Green, Aug. 14.

Jamesport, Missouri

Mast, Schrock - Sam, son of Alvin and Salina Mast to Ellen, daughter of Christie and Edna Schrock, by Bishop Edward Nissley of Arthur, Ill., Aug. 28.

# **OBITUARIES**

Barkman, Lena, 82, LaGrange #4, Indiana died Friday, August 15 in Parkview Hospital in Fort Wayne following an illness of three weeks. Born in Johnson, Iowa on June 17, 1898, she was the daughter of Jonathan and Katie (Slabaugh) Plank and was married in Mark Center, Ohio, December 23, 1920 to Samuel P. Barkman, who preceded her in death in 1970.

Surviving are four daughters, Mrs. Jacob J. (Emma) Yoder of LaGrange, Mrs. Lee (Mary Kathryn) Miller of Nappanee, Mrs. Milo (Alta) Yoder of Mantua, Ohio, and Mrs. Joe E. (Edna) Miller of

Hicksville, Ohio; four sons, Monroe of Topeka, Melvin of Goshen, William of Sarasota, Fla., Enos of Middlefield, Ohio, and Sam of Hicksville, Ohio; 65 grandchildren; 116 great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; three half sisters, Mrs. Chris (Susie) Yoder, and Mrs. Fred (Katie) Schrock, all of Illinois, and two half brothers, Steve Plank of Nebraska and John Plank of Chicago.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, August 19 at 9:30 a.m. in the home of Jacob Yoder with Dan Beechy officiating. Burial was in the

Mast Cemetery, northwest of LaGrange.

Burkholder, Marvin, 4 mo., Holmes County, Ohio

died August 2. He was poorly since birth. His age was 4 months and 17 days and was the son of Jonas P. and Catherine (Troyer) Burkholder.

Grandparents are Orris C. Troyers and Paul J. Burkholders.

Chupp, Mrs. Alma Chupp, 72, 1440 Third Rd., Bremen, Indiana died at 4:24 a.m. in the Bremen Community Hospital following a two-month illness. A native of Nappanee, she was born January 15, 1908, to Samuel and Anna (Hochstetler) Hochstetler. She was married November 11, 1945, in Nappanee, to Ray C. Chupp. He died June 23, 1973. Mrs. Chupp was a lifetime resident of the area, a member of the Old Order Amish Church and a homemaker.

Surviving are two step daughters, Mrs. Jonas (Amanda) Hochstetler, Bremen, and Mrs. Ernest (Mary) Hochstetler, Nappanee; a son, Clarence Chupp, Bremen; 18 grandchildren and a brother, Raymond Hochstetler, Milford. Her parents, two sisters and four

brothers preceded her in death.

Funeral services were held at 9:30 a.m. Friday at the Mrs. Olie Miller residence, R1 Bremen, with Bishop John H. Hochsteller and Bishop Henry Yoder officiating. Burial in Weldy Cemetery.

Esh, David Y., 16, 85 Old Leacock Rd, Ronks, Penna.

died August 10, about 1/2 hour after a car-buggy accident. See community note.

Born in Leacock Township on October 19, 1963 he was the son of

Levi A. and Naomi (Lapp) Esh.

In addition to his parents, he is survived by 6 brothers and sisters, Anna Mary, Levi Jr., Ada, Lena, Emanuel, and Ruth all at home. He is also survived by paternal grandparents, Aaron S. and Anna Mary (Stoltzfus) Esh, Gordonville #1 and maternal grandfather, David Y. Lapp, Gordonville #1.

Funeral services were held on August 12 at the Jacob B. Lapp residence with about 700 people intending. Sermons were by Jacob S. King and Jonas S. Lapp. Lied by Sam M. Stoltzfus. Buried in Beilers Cemetery in Ronks. Graveside services were read by Henry L. Stoltzfus. Six cousins all in David's age were pall bearers.

King, Melvin R., 16, 109 Millport Rd., Lititz, Penna.

died August 10, instantly after a car-buggy accident. See

Born in Warwick Township on January 12, 1964 he was the son of Henry S. and Nancy E. (Riehl) King.

In addition to his parents, he is survived by 6 brothers and sisters, Katie, wife of Elmer P. Esh, Ronks #2, Samuel R. Daniel R., Rachel A., Henry S. Jr. and Ephraim R. all at home. He is also survived by paternal grandparents, Samuel E. and Rachel L. (Stoltzfus) King, Leola #1; maternal grandparents, Ephraim D. and Rebecca S. Esh Riehl, Leola #1, and maternal great-grandfather Aaron Esh, Leola #1.

Funeral services were held at 11:00, August 13 by U. Levi Riehl, anfang, Elam Kauffman main sermon. Lied page 292 read by Stevie Stoltzfus. Services in house by Davie Blank, lied page 439 read by Eli Glick. Burial in Myers Cemetery, abschied by Eli Stoltzfus, lied page

444 by U. Christ Esh.

Mast, Malinda E., 58, #1 New Wilmington, Pa.

died Aug. 25, 1980, born Aug. 5, 1922, age 58 years, 20 days. She was first married to Levi J. Mast, on January 4, 1945. Levi died March 2, 1949. She married second to Andy J. Mast,

February 23, 1950.

Surviving are her second husband Andy, 2 sons, and 5 daughters. Dan, married to Nancy S. Wengerd, Fannie, who teaches school at Salisbury, Pa., Rachel married to Daniel J. L. Byler, Lovina, Elsie, Nancy and John at home. One sister, Mrs. Claude Swartzentruber (Rachel), Oakland, Md., 1 brother, Preacher Amos E. Byler, #1 New Wilmington, also nieces, nephews and cousins, besides many friends.

Sermon by John Lapp, Lancaster County, Pa. (in house). By Stevie Esch, Lancaster County, Pa., (in barn) and by Urie E. Mast, Fryburg, Pa. (at a neighbor's house). Pallbearers were: Edwin D. Lee, Eli J. Byler, Jr., John J. B. Byler and Andy S.

Byler.

Miller, Levi F., 3, #1 Paradise, Pa.

died July 30, 1980, age 3 years, 1 month. He was born June 22,

Surviving are his parents, John F. and Hannah (Fisher) Miller, 4 sisters, Sarah, Rebecca, Susie and Anna. Paternal grandparents, Levi and Susie (Stoltzfoos) Miller, #1 Paradise, maternal grandparents, Levi and Sarah (Stoltzfus) Fisher, #1 Paradise. Paternal great-grandmother, Annie S. Miller, #1 Bird-in-Hand, paternal step-great-grandmother, Rebecca K. Fisher, #1 Oxford, paternal step-great-grandparents, Ammon B. and Malinda Stoltzfoos, #1 Leola.

Funeral services were held Saturday, August 2, at 9:00, at the home by Ivan Fisher and Daniel S. Fisher.

Burial in Georgetown Cemetery.

Miller, Ezra E., 87, Centerville, Mich. died August 17, 1980, age 87 years, 7 months and 6 days, born January 11, 1893. He was married to Mary (Gingerich) and Barbara (Schlabach). He died of liver cancer.

Surviving besides his second wife, 4 sons, Ora, Fred, Raymond and Edward, 3 daughters, Clara Mullet, Anna Gingerich and Naomi Carpenter, 7 stepsons and 4 stepdaughters.

Funeral services were held at Amos Yoder residence, August

19, by Samuel Bontrager, Jake Schrock and Amos Miller.

Burial in Lost Creek Cemetery, Hicksville.

Miller, Martha, 5 month old daughter

died August 11 at Parkview Hospital where she was a patient

only a few days.

Surviving besides her parents, Lester and Kathryn (Brandenberger) Miller, are a brother William and 2 sisters, Rachel and Elizabeth Ann; the grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Brandenberger of #1 New Haven and Mr. and Mrs. Levi Miller of Jamesport, Missouri and a great grandfather, Noah Miller of Plain City, Ohio,

Services were held by Pre. Andy Eicher and burial in Amish

Cemetery at Grabill.

Mullet, Henry F , 14 Geauga County, Ohio died August 8, 1980, age 14 years, 4 months and 22 days. He was

the son of Bishop Eli Mullet.

Surviving are his parents, Eli and Nancy Mullet, 5 brothers, Bill, Parkman; Sam, Fredericktown, Ohio; John, Spartansburg, Pa.; Eli and Lester, Middlefield, Ohio; 6 sisters, Emma (Mrs. Dan D. Byler), Spartensburg, Pa.; Barbara, (Mrs. Martin M. Miller); Linda, Lizzie, Wilma and Nancy, Middlefie d.

Funeral services were held on Monday, August 11, at 2 P. M., at the home place by Bishop Enos E. Fisher and Allen J. Byler. In Melvin Detweiler's barn by Noah N. Detweiler and Elmer L. Miller. In the house by Bishop Andy Hershberger and Gid P. Miller.

Burial in Mespo Cemetery.

Stoltzfus, Abraham K., 52, Ronks

died of natural causes early Saturday morning at his home. He had been under a physical's care. Born in Upper Leacock Township and a son of the late Abram F. and Mattie (King) Stoltzfus. He was the husband of Hannah K. (Smoker) Stoltzfus. A farmer, and a member of the Old Order Amish Church. Died August 8, age 52 rears, 9 months and 11 days.

Surviving in addition to his wife are six children, Barbara, wife of John M. Stoltzfus, Bloomsburg; Jacob S., Airville; Mattie, wife of Abner G. Stoltzfus, #1 Christiana; and Mary S., at home, 15 grandchildren, three brothers, Eli K., Leola; David K., Ronks; Daniel F., Leola; two sisters, Lydia, wife of David Renno, Mifflintown; and Rachel Kanagy, Mifflintown.

Sermon by Elam Zook and Abram Renno. Lied read by Gideon

Burial in Myers Cemetery.

Stoltzfus, infant son. #1 Paradise, Pa.

Infant son of Jonathan M. and Amanda B. (Lapp) Stoltzfus, was

stillborn Saturday at Lancaster Osteopathic Hospital.

In addition to his parents he is survived by three brothers, maternal grandparents, Samuel and Barbara Lapp, #1 Ronks; and paternal grandparents, Jerry and Mattie Stoltzfus, Leola; and a great-grandmother, Annie Miller, #1 Bird-in-Hand.

Yoder, Ervin, stillborn son, Meyersdale, Pa.

was stillborn at the Meyersdale Community Hospital, August 22. A son of Pete C. and Lydia (Brenneman) Yoder.

The surviving grandparents are Clarence A. and Mary I. (Yoder) Yoder and Mrs. Sadie Brenneman. Graveside services were held Saturday P. M.

Burial at the Niverton Cemetery.

Yoder Lydia, 85, Conewango Valley, New York

died August 17, wife of Ben Yoder. She was sick a few weeks after caring for her husband who is 90 and in bed of a stroke 4 years ago. She was born December 13, 1894, in Mifflin County, Pa. She was the daughter of Joseph and Betty (Zook) Hostetler.

Surviving is Eli Hostetler (being adopted and having their home there. Also survivng are several neices and nephews and many

friends.

Funeral was held on Tuesday, the 19th.

Burial at the West Amish Cemetery, Leon, New York.

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### **CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS**

### Conewango Valley, New York - Mose D. Stutzman

In August we had good thrash weather with good yields and good quality. There are a few fields around to thrash yet. Hay was not all put up as barns were full. Lots of damp and light rain and hard to dry hay at times.

Blackberries and elderberries are on the menu.

Temperature was more humid then usual. Being from 54 to 70 degrees in the morning and high in daytime, being close to a 100

degrees at places. Most days a breeze is going.

A report of 50 years ago, in first part of August, 90 to 100 degrees and dropped suddenly to as low as 30 degrees in some sections around Randolph. Frosts followed the extreme heat with considerable damage to crops being very dry and gardens at the burning point. William Kirk had his crops and garden entirely killed with ice like window glass on water pail at his pump.

### Seneca Falls, New York - Mrs. Noah S. Byler

Weather in July has been changeable, rainy, sunshine, cool and warm, with a low of 57 degrees and high of in the 90 degrees. We had three and two tenth inches of rain during July, was scattered over the month. A little hail once, but no damage. Some places around us they had quite a bit hail and more rain and wind storms, too.

Had nice growing weather. Crops look real good.

### Centre County [Brush Valley], Penna. - David B. Stoltzfus

We had two and two tenths inches of rain in the beginning of the month plus some good rains at the end of July which gave our corn crop the moisture it needed to produce nice ears. No rain and warm sunny weather was the rule the last half of the month except on the 30th we had a thunderstorm with three and one tenth of an inch of rain. Very little silo filling yet, but if this weather continues the corn will soon be dry. Third crop alfalfa was an average yield.

### Montour County, Penna. - Amos K. Stoltzfus

The month of August was very dry. On the 10th and 11th we had alittle rain and alittle on the 31st. Some tobacco was cut, alittle corn put in the silos. Tomatoes are being picked. There are no crops that look very good. Some corn looks fair.

### Millersburg, Penna. [Dauphin County] - Mrs. Benuel B. Fisher

August is warm and dry, mostly around 80 to 90 degrees in daytime. The 10th and 11th was rather cool around 45 degrees. We 232

had showers the first 3 weeks of an average total of 1/2 nch per week, but not all over the valley. The corn is a fair yield altho not as good as the last 2 years. 3rd cutting hay is bringing an average of 50 bales per acre. Silo filling has begun, a little earlier due to the dry weather. We had an abundant supply of garden things but it is fast coming to a close due to dry weather.

School is to start on Monday September 1st with 32 pupils, 6

beginners and this year is the first we have all 8 grades.

Lebanon County, Penna. - Levi S. King

Dry most of August with only about 1.3 inches of rain for the month. Corn is drying up from the bottom and will hardly make half a crop except that which was planted early. A good bit of silo filling was done already as dairymen need something to feed. Pastures are brown and creeks very low.

### Bareville, Penna. - Levi L. Stoltzfus

Rainfall for Bareville area .75 of an inch.

Market report: high choice prime cattle brought 73.-77.50 cwt.; fat bulls 59.25-64.25 cwt.; vealers 106.-118. cwt.; feeder steers 59.-82.25 cwt.; fat hogs 50.50-55.35 cwt.; 40 lb. feeder pigs 59.-87. cwt.; dairy cows at New Holland 600.-1650.; ear corn 85.-129. ton, by the bu. 3.75; wheat 4.35 bu.; large eggs .68 doz.; hay 50.-121. ton; straw 40.-76. ton; leghorn fowl .06; heavy fowl .18; pullets and roosters .45 lb.; ducks .70-1.19 lb.; guineas 1.43-1.80 lb.; potatoes retail 9. cwt.; milk 12.480 cwt.

Coatesville, Penna. - J. Elmer Lapp

The weather for August can be put together in a few words, warm and dry. On the evening of the 10th it rained ½ inch. A little shower on the 15th. An inch in the early morning of the 30th a total of 1.6 inches.

3rd cutting is finished some was rather short, but mostly put in without rain. Silo filling is just beginning. Corn being a little shorte than average.

St. Marys County, Maryland - Susie Stoltzfus

The first 15 days of August were over 90 degrees with half of them 100 or over. By the 17th in the morning it was 58 which seemed almost chilly, but went to 83 that day yet. The next day it rained a little and the next some more til we had 1 inch here. More or less other places. We had 2 inches the first week also which really saved the later corn and new hay fields. Farmers are filling silos which takes more acres than usual due to the seek corn. The last week the temp. went back to the upper 90's and it is dry again.

York County, Penna. - Andrew H. Beiler

August brought us some much needed rain .7, on the 1st. Warm and humid from the 2nd to the 10th. We had about 1.2 inches rain the 11th and 12th. It cooled off after a shower the 15th. We had another ½ inch rain the 19th. The last week was again quite humid with some cloudiness Friday and Saturday.

Silo filling has started, corn is shorter than last year, but we will still have enough to fill the silos and some to pick. 3rd cutting

alfalfa was short.

McClure, Penna. [Snyder County] - John Y. Speicher.

August was very warm and dry. Temp. during the day was 90 to 96 degrees, had few days of below 90 degrees.

Corn is suffering on high ground, some fall crops at being sown silo filling will start this week some 2nd crop clover is made some to make yet. Some wells are low in this area. Very little rain in

August.

Mifflin County, Penna. - Catherine Swarey

August was a warm summer month, was a break to the dry spell. The beginning of the month had 3 to 4 inches of rain varying in different places. Only light showers since the 15th. So it is getting a little dry again. Lowest temperature 48 degrees, highest high 90's to 100 degrees. Last couple weeks nights were warmer again.

Sweet corn, tomatoes, and melons a good drop. Field corn, some of it has nice bit ears, but most of the stalks are short.

Schools opened August 25.

Thunder showers again on August 30 and 31st.

Southern Snyder County, Penna. - Sam M. Troyer

The weather for southern Snyder County was quite dry again this August. We had around 2 inches of rain the 11th and 12th and another inch scattered out now and then in small showers and its been quite warm throughout the month. Corn is looking pretty good and peaches were a good crop and they are still not all

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This poem is a translation of Dorothea found in the Ausbund, page 890. Another version of Dorothea, likely the same story, appears in Legende der Heiligen. (see following article). As a legend it differs somewhat in text, yet likely both stem from the original which truely happened on February 6, 288 A.D. Diocletian, a Romand Emporer reigned from the year 284 until sometime into the next century. Early in his reign he persecuted the Christians and during this time began the tenth and severest persecution. (See Martyrs'

Mirrow, page 143).

This poem is submitted by Miss Rebecca Zook of Groffdale. Her father, Bishop David Zook, had a special liking to this german hymn and often refered to it in his sermons, he could recite the whole hymn fluently from memory. In his latter days someone has sent him this translated copy in English. The Zook family now hold great fondness to it, which they have a right to. Translater unknown.

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### The Story of Dorothea

A pious Christian maiden In heathen lands did dwell; God's Word, the Holy Bible She read and pondered well.

Her name as Dorothea, Was known both far and wide; Her father and her mother To her this name supplied.

Translated, Dorothea,
Denotes a gift from God,
Which from His throne in heaven
To earth was sent abroad.

A calm and quiet nature Oft follows a good name, If parents use their children They'll likely do the same.

She in her youth quite early Would often go to hear The preaching of God's Holy Word In faith and truth sincere.

She loved her parents dearly, And gave them honor due, And followed their instructions As far as she might do.

These things the fierce old dragon Determined to prevent; This maid was apprehended And into prison sent.

The heathen priests determined were To make her serve their gods, She loved her Saviour better Than to fear their threats and rods.

With words both sweet and sour They sought to astray From God the heavenly Shepherd This maid on error's way; But firm, like rocks and mountains, She stood like saints of old, Like Daniel in the lions' den Or in the fire of gold.

When they could not accomplish Their purpose, they were filled With fury, like their master Because she would not yield.

A sentence was accrued by them That she would have to die; She threw he self upon her knees And thus to God did cry.

"Into Thy hands Lord Jesus, My spirit I commend, Be with me with my spirit Grant me a happy end.

For thy great name and honor I as a Christian die, Oh, Help that these blind people May all converted be.''

Theophilus, a chancellor, This maiden pitied sore; He said, "Have mercy on thyself, Despise our gods no more.

Renew their dear young life again."
But Dorothea saith...
"A better one my God will give
When I have gone through death.

To Paradise my soul will go When here my body's dead, Where to my Saviour's honor Stand many roses red.

From which my Lord and Master Will make for me a crown; Death is to me more welcome Than all above the ground."

Theophilus in sport did say, While she before him stood: "My dear young Dorothea, When you come to your God: Send me some roses, apples, too From Paradise so fine.'' "Yes," answered she, "just wait a whil Your wish you shall obtain."

Now when this pretty maiden There with the sword was slain A little lad, most beautiful, With a basket did remain,

Who said, "See here Theophilus, Come, take these roses red, They're sent by Dorothea From Jesus' flower bed.

Her soul in joy and happiness Eternally shall live, With a body bright and glorious Which God to her will give.''

Theophilus was quite amazed This wonder for to see, He said, "I truly can rejoice From error I am free."

He instantly began to praise Christ Jesus as his Lord, And left himself instructed be In God's most holy word.

The Christian baptism he received, Himself a Christian named To martyrdom he also went Was not of Christ ashamed.

Just like a fruitful flower. Is the true martyr's blood, Much good it may accomplish If blessed with help from God.

Through pain and tribulation The church will live and thrive, Through death to life eternal Will pass who this believe.

### von ber Legende ber Meiligen.

Unzucht und Graufamkeit find zwei abscheuliche Some= ftern die gewöhnlich beifammen find; du kannft dies fehen on dem Ivrannen, der die heilige Agatha dem Martertod überleiferte, du fannst dies auch sehen an dem Ivrannen Fabricius, der die heilige Jungfrau Dorothea mordete. Von der Scönheit dieser reinen Jungfrau zu geiler Lust entbrannt und begierig nach ihrem Bermögen wollte der Statthuiter sie ehlichen. Seine Anträge waren aber vergeblich: Dorothea wollte ihre dem Heilande gelobte Treue nichtbrechen, die Reinheit ihres Leibes nicht befleden laffen. — Da verwandelte fic die unreine Liebe des Tyrannen in teuflischen Saß, er suchte eine Gelegenheit, die Jungfrau zu verderben. Diese Gele= genheit ließ nicht lange auf sich warten. Unter dem Kaifer Diokletian brach eine heftige Verfolgung gegen die Chriften aus. Darüber freute fich Fabricius und sogleich ließ er Dorothea vor seinen Richterstuhl laden und forderte sie auf, ihren Namen anzusagen und den Göben zu opfern. Muthig antwortete die Jungfrau: Ich heiße Dorothea und bin eine Chriftin; der wahre Gott und Herr verbietet mir Jemand anderm zu opfern als ihm allein. Sag mir boch, o Fabricius, wenn zwei das, Gegentheil befehlen, ein irdischer und ein himmliscer Herrscher, wem foll ich gehorche, opfere den Göttern, wo nicht, so sollte du schredliche Qualen fühlen! Dorothea: "Ich fürchte nur Gott, nicht aber die Peinen, die du mir brohst; diese sind leicht und bald vorüber; die Quallen der Hölle aber sind sower und ewig." - Aufgebracht über diese Antwort ließ der Iprann die Jungfrau auf die Folter spannen und mit Ruthen peitschen; sie aber blieb standhaft und hatte nur Ein Verlangen, mit Jesus bald vereinigt zu werden. Nach der Folter wurde fie in der Kerker geworfen, dort aber plöblich wunderbar geheilt. Auf's Neue vor den Tyrannen gehührt fucte diefer durch Schmeicheleien ihren Sinn zu ändern, und da ihm dieses nicht gelingen wollte, übergab er sie zwei Schwestern, Christina und Kallista, welche Jesum verläugnet hatten, und versprach ihnen eine große Belohnung, wenn sie Dorothea zum Abfalle bewegen könnten. Beide versuchten es; allein was geschah? Statt daß sie die Jungfrau zur Sünde des Abfalls führten, wurden sie von dieser zur Erkenntniß ihres eigenen Elends gebracht und wieder auf den Weg der Wahrheit zurückgeführt. Weinend warfen sie sich Dorothea zu Füßen, baten sie um ihre Fürbitte bei Gott und gaben ihr das heilige Versprechen, ihren Abfall öffentlich zu widerrufen und als Chriftinen zu sterben.

Bald ließ Fabricius Dorothea und die beiden Schwestern vor sich rusen; aber wie erstaunte er, als er aus ihrem Munde vernahm: "Wir haben gefündigt, weil wir von Christo absielen, Dorothea hat uns zur Erkenntniß und Reue geführt; wir widerrusen unsern Absall und wollen fortan Christo angehören." Wüthsend hierüber drohte ihnen der Ivrann mit grausamen Martern; allein die Schwestern blieben standhaft in ihrem Besenntnisse und wurden beshalb in einen mit brennendem Pech angefüllten Ressel gesenkt und werbrannt. In ihrem lepten Augenblicke ries ihnen,

Dorothea zu: "Gehet mir voran! Euer Fall ist von Gott vergeben! The habt die schon verlorne Marterkrone wieder gesunden. Der barmherzige Vater, der den verlornen Sohn aufnahm, wird euch mit Freude empfangen."

Run kam die Reihe an Dorothea: sie wurde neuerdings ouf die Folter gespannt und mit Fadeln gebrannt. Allein sie schien die Qualen gar nicht zu fühlen, ein wunderbares Lächeln, eine himmlische Freude wurde auf ihrem Gesichte sichtbar, so daß der Tyrann sie fragte: "Warum freuest du diw mitten unter Qualen und Peinen?" Thm antwortete die Jungfrau: "Noch nie hatte ich in meinem Leben folche Freude, weil ich dem argliftigen Feinde die Seelen meiner Schweftern entriffen und fie Chrifto wiedergewonnen habe. Statt= halter zögere doch nicht, auch mich zu vollenden, um in ihre Gesellschaft zu kommen, denn schon lange sehne ich mich, zu meinem Geliebten zu kommen, in dessen Garten ich Rofen und Aepfel pflücken, und mich ewig mit ihm laben werde." — Als der Tyrann fah, daß alle Marter an der Jungfrau vergeblich sei, verurtheilte er sie zum Tode durch das Beil. Kaum hatte sie dies Urtheil vernommen, als sie mit lauter Stimme ausrief: "Mein herr und mein Gott! teuschefter Brautigam meiner Seele, ich danke dir, daß du mich des Paradieses und deiner feligen Gemeinschaft mürdigest."

Während sie nun zum Richtplaß ausgeführt wurde, nahte fich ihr der Geheimschreiber Theophilus und sprach höhnend zu ihr: "Sore, du Braut Chrifte! foide mir doch aus dem Garten beines Geliebten einige Aepfel ober Rosen." Mit heiligem Ernste sprach die Jungfrau zu ihm: "Dein Verlangen wird erfüllt werden. Zweifle nicht, ich werde dir Rosen un Aepfel senden."-Angekommen auf dem Richtplat warf sie sich auf die Knie und betete. Da stand plöplich ein himmlischer Knabe vor ihr, der ihr drei Aepfeln und drei Rosen darbot. "Lieber Bruder, sprach Dorothea, bringe diefe Gabe dem Jüngling Theophilus und sage ihm: Dorothea schickt dir diese Früchte und Blumen aus dem Garten ihres himmlischen Bräutigams." Nach diesen Worten empfing sie den Todesstreich. Mittlerweile erzählte lacen Theophilus feinen Freunden, was er von Dorothea begehrt und sie ihm zugefagt habe. Er ftand gerade am Fenster, als plöplich ein Knabe vor ihn hintrat, ihn bei Seite nahm und sprach: "Diese Aepfel und Rosen schickt dir meine Schwester Dorothea aus dem Garten ihres Geliebten." Als er foldes gefprochen, verschwand er. Staunend über die Schönheit der Frückte und Blumen, die er wirklich in seinen Händen hielt, obschon es Winterszeit war, rief er vom göttlichen Lichte erleuchtet aus: "Wahrhaftig, es ift fein anderer Gott, als der Gott der Chriften. Der Glaube an Chriftus ist feine Täuschung. Thn allein will ich jept anbeten, ihm allein dienen." Auf die Kunde hievon ließ der Statthalter den Neubekehrten vor sich rufen, und da er ihn durch keine Drohung von der Glauben an Chriftus abbringen konnte, ließ er ihn auf die Folter spannen, mit Facein brennen unv dann enthaupten.

Dorothea wird abgebildet in jungfräulichem Gewande, Rofen und Früchte neben fic.

Von der Barmherzigfeit und Gerechtigfeit Gottes

Wie unendlich barmherzig Gott ift, das fannst du. driftlicher Leser, an den beiden Schwestern sehen, welche sich ber größten Sünde, der Verläugnung des heiligen Chriftus= glaubens schuldig gemacht haben, aber doch von Gott wieder aufgenommen worden find, als fie reumüthig zu ihm fic wendeten. Rein Sünder, auch der größe nich, darf verzagen und verzweifeln.—Warum wartet denn Gott oft so lange auf den Sünder: warum duldet er es. daß er in seinem Trope Sünden auf Sünden häufet? Weil er barmherzig ist! Warum fegnet oft Gott den Sünder mit den größten Wohlthaten? Deßwegen, um ihn durch lauter Büte zur Umkehr zu bewegen. Warum sendet Gott unmd dem Sünder mancherlei Leiden und Unglüd? Um ihn zur Erfenntniß und Befehrung zu bringen. Wie ein guter Hirt das verlorne Schäflein, o fucht Gott den Sünder auf, und kommt der Sünder endlich zur Besinnung, kennt er sein Unrecht, wendet er sich wieder vertrauensvoll zu Arme und nimmt ihn auf und an als sein Kind. Kann es eine größere Barmbergigkeit geben? Aber ach, wie wenige laffen sich durch diese Barmherzigkeit geben? Aber ach, wie wenige laffen fich durch diese Barmherzigkeit zur Buße leiten. Gerade weil Gott so gut ist, sind sie so bose und trösten sich mit den Worten des heil. Johannes: "Gott ist die Liebe." Ja Gott ist die Liebe, aber er ist auch gerecht, das barf man nich vergeffen. Er haßt die Sünde und ftraft sie gewiß, wenn das Maß voll geworden. Und diese Strafe wird bann so groß, so unendlich sein wie feine Barmherzikeit. O laß dich doch, meine Selle, nicht betrügen von jenen sogenannten Aufgeklärten, die sich immer mit der Liebe und Barmherzig= feit Gottes tröften. Schaue nur an das Kreuz, da fannst du die Liebe, aber auch die Gerechtigkeit Gottes sehen. Wenn Gott seines Sohnes nich geschont, und ihn dem Tode hingegeben, um die Sünder zu retten, so zeugt dies von seiner Liebe; wenn er aber eben diefen Sohn am Kreuze fterben liß, weil er unsere Sünden auf sich genommen, so zeugt dies auch von seiner Gerechtigkeit; darum sprach Jesus zu den weinenden Frauen: "Wenn das am grünen Solz geschieht, was wird am dürren geschehen?" als wollte er sagen: Wenn ich unfuldig wegen eurer Sünden so viel euere Sünden leiden müßen, da für euch mein Blut vergeblich geflossen ift." O bedenke dies, meine Seele, und fliebe die Sünde; und wenn du gefündigt, so kehre reumüthig zu deinem Bater im Himmel zurud, so lange es noch Zeit ift, denn sieh' Spricht Gott: "Mein Zorn kommt schnell, und am Tage der Nache werde ich dich verderben!"

Aussprüche der heiligen Dorothea.

Gott ist gut und voll Barmherzigkeit gegen diejenigen, die sich aus ganzem Herzen zu ihm bekehren. An der Barmherzigsteit des Herrn verzweiseln, ist die größte Sünde. Verzweiselt daher nich, denn ihr habt einen guten, ja den besten Arzt, der all euere Wunden heilen kann. Darum heiße er auch Heiland, weil er euere Wunden heilet, Erlöser, weil er uns erlöset, Erretter, weil er nich müde wird ans zu retten. Wendet euch nur aus ganzem Herzen zur Buße und beget keinen Zweisel, daß ihr von ihm Vergebung eurer Sünden erlanget.

Gebet. D Herr, wie getröftet mich deine große Barmherzigsteit, wie schreckt mich aber auch deine Heiligkeit und Gerechtigkeit; gib mir die Gnade, daß ich an deiner Barmberzigkeit, wenn ich gefündigt, nicht verzweifle; deine Gerechtigkeit aber mich vom Sündigen abhalte. Amen.

### The Anabaptists

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### Chapter 4

The young man stood fiercely agitated in the silent solitude. He told himself the girl probably belonged to the peat miners who lived on the heath. But this did not calm him nor restore his peace of mine. He saw again in his thoughts the anxious, timid face and wondered in vain why the first sight of her had moved him so strangely. Searchingly he looked once more at the dark water, there must have been a ford through it. When he found none he hesitantly started back to the hill.

Before he reached the camp, some of the horseman whom he had left asleep met him. they were looking for him with shouts and with such urgency they trampled the feild of buckwheat at the base of the hill.

And from the hilltop the rough voice of the Hamburg councillor met him: Where have you been, Frederick? The cavalrymen have saddled. Kurt wants us to hurry because of the weather and the squire skips out without saying a word. Did you think you would find your treasure in the marsh?

Frederick blushed a violent red, but he seemed accustomed to holding his peace. Only after sereval moments, while Nicholas grumbled to himself, he replied camly, "You know that you are wrong, sir! I took a walk into the moor because it seemed to me there must be paths here, and you yourself gave orders to be on the lookout for anything that can lead us to a trail."

"Trails here, where there is no living creature as far as Holland except the moor devils!" said Nicholas derisively.

"You struck out on a dangerous path, squire," Kurt tom Plan put in. "One who is not familiar with the terrain and a native here avoids such a path, and we have nothing to look for there.

The young could have refuted the two honorable gentlemen with a word. But he saw in his imagiation the anxious face on the figure on the moor, and abruptly chucked off his speech, for one and then another laughed out land. In silence he went to his horse. Kurt tom Plan summoned two of the soldiers to help him into the saddle. The Hamburg councillor swung himself up easily and lightly for a man of his age. The way he sat on his black steed and reined it in made him look even statelier than before on the moss of the hill. One could see he felt at ease only when he was giving orders and looking down on others in unapproachable dignity. Kurt tom Plan spoke familiarly with the mercenaries of his city while riding into the river valley.

Nicholas did not waste a word on his men. He did not even converse with his cousin, except that at the moment of leaving he guided his horse close to the young man and, unheard by any other, said, "You are seeking your own paths—be careful! Don't contradict me; I have not been keeping my eyes open only for Anabaptists. Watch my path and be assured that my other will not serve your welfare! Let me do the worrying about the purpose of our expedition!

He left it to the young man to reflect upon the words he had spoken with a dark look and cuttingly sharp tone. A moment later he was riding with Kurt tom Plan, who took a path into the Ems Valley and breathed with relief when the small raiding party made its way between grain fields and occasional green hedges.

The bank of white clouds on the horizon had grown denser and darker. The air was closer. A breath of hot wind passed over the unmowed fields and rustled among the sheaves of the harvested fields. The councillors and the old horseman at the head of the procession were obviously worried they might not reach the next hamlet or farmstead before the storm broke.

Frederick was following at the very end of the procession with one of the younger soldiers. He reviewed what his cousin had just said, and then, facing the soldier, he added with unrestrained anger: "You hear and see how things are between us! Shouldn't I turn my horse about and escape rather then endure this

any longer? What do you say, Walter?"

"But where would you go?" asked the soldier, his face showing his sympathy. "Follow my career and run to the recruiting drum? No, squire, you have my example and I advise no one to follow it! I used to feel that life at home was too narrow, the old man was too strict, and there was no fun in my trade. Now I would like to go back to my warm home. And I tell you, you would also give anything to return to your fireside when

you accepted your first king's pay."

"You have a father and mother at home, don't you, Walter? You would probably have a business of your own, and have married a pretty girl in Erfurt if you had stayed! But what good would staying at home do me? I hardly know my parents. I grew up under his discipline," replied Frederick, pointing to Nicholas. "As long as I can remember I was like wood in his hands, he carved and colored me as seemed right to him! If I am aware that I have flesh and blood of my own, Cousin Nicholas is not to blame. I am sick and tired of respectability, of the whole business, and would rather be a horseman or a sailor than the cousin of the official of Ritzebuttel!"

"Anger makes you say that," answered Walter "When you succeed your cousin to office and wealth you will feel differently, and if you ran away, you could never forget you might have been a councillor and ruler in Hamburg. Hope makes a bed soft; it gets very hard when hope is lost!"

### Chapter 5

Hope?" said Frederick furiously. "Do you call it hope that he never allowed me to go into business to begin small like a hundred others? My father died a poor man. Nicholas says he was a spendthrift — I have to believe it. I could have established a business of my own ten times over, but he never allowed me to untie myself from him! He has sons of his own, Walter. I

cannot expect to inherit any of his wealth; but I had to remain a squire so that he would not have in his family a small merchant, shopkeeper, or broker! I would be glad to leave Hamburg and go to London or Bergen and thus spare him what to him would be disgrace. But he never lets me go. I am to feel his fist gripping my neck, I am to bring him honor, become a city councillor. And to make all this possible he is planning to make me marry Elsbeth Langenscheidt, the daughter of the great owner of the merchant fleet. Her complexion is as yellow as a quince; she is no taller than a dwarf, but for every inch she lacks in height she is to bring one thousand silver marks into the narriage! I am resisting it as fiercely as a thief resists the gallows - but in the end how can I hold out? That is the hope on which I am to make my bed, Walter!"

"I would accept any wife if I could only go home,

squire!" replied the horseman.

"But I wouldn't! said Frederick with determination." I have no longing to go home, the whole business in which I am like a prisoner nauseates me. I have a friend, a merchant in London, who has more than once urged me to cross the channel, and even if it sends His Honor to the rave, I am going! Let them find other aides for their rule and their criminal courts!"

The first part of his reply met with the soldier's amused approval, but the last words frightened him visibly. He said then, "What on earth do you mean,

sir; are you on the side of the Anabaptists?"

Frederick turned angrily toward the questioner, his every gesture registering utter abhorrence: "On the side of the Anabaptists! Are you crazy, Walter? What do you mean? Would to God that not one had ever secretly set foot in Hamburg! I don't know anything about their heresy, and even you do not hold more firmly to the gospel than I! They may be deserving of death - but wouldn't it be enough to go after those who enter the cities and preach there To track them down in their hiding places, to marass them like wolves and lynxes, to equip troops of horsemen in order to be able to torture and do away with a dozen of them seems cruel and unworthy to me! Many of the Hamburg councillors were opposed to my cousin's mission, but Nicholas, who has always been a bloody and violent enemy of the Anabaptists and all fanatics, would not give up until they sent him to Emden and us with him."

Frederick would perhaps have had more to say if his name had not rung out from the head of the small procession. He passed the group at a quick trot.

"His Worship's discipline must be severe; even with his hatred still on his lips, the squire does not make him wait!" Walter muttered after him.

Frederick had in fact already reached the two councillors who had summoned him. They seemed undecided about continuing. To one side, directly on the river, the walls and roofs of a farmstead were visible, surrounded by trees. The storm that had a short while ago threatened from afar now seemed to hang directly overhead. Kurt tom Plan wanted to put up at the farm on the moor but Nicholas Lorenzen was set on proceeding and did not conceal his displeasure when Frederick also voted to stop.

"By following your plan we are going to lose this

whole day and may need weeks to get over to Leer or to Groningen," he said sullenly. "The same wind that has

brought the storm will blow it away!"

A flash of lightning from the black cloud over their heads and the thunder immediately after saved Kurt tom Plan a reply. The horsemen crowded together and in close formation they trotted into the farmyard where the hired hands were working to store two enormous wagonloads of sheaves into the barn. The sight of the armed procession paralyzed their arms and features. They stared motionless at the intruders and left them standing in the rain that had just begun to patter down. Kurt tom Plan in the local dialect asked for the proprietor, but was only able to elicit a hesitant, suspicious, and laconic answer: "The proprietor is blind and has not gone beyond his property for forty years. What do you want of him? What are you seeking here?"

"Shelter from the storm, you idiots, nothing more! Where is the old man's son?" cried Kurt.

"On the heath with the sheep!" said the servants. Kurt tom Plan looked around questioningly, while Nicholas Lorenzen tried to preserve his dignity even in the storm. The soldiers cursed and clamored. Then tom Plan caught sight of the large peat barn built on the right side of the farmyard. He pointed to it and in a flash the riders jumped from their horses and threw open the door. In the open entranceway of the house, the half-timbered gable of which wad decorated with time-blackened, rudely carved horse heads, the owner now appeared - a white-haired old man in his seventies, his powerful frame stooped with age, his face weathered and lined, but with a hale and hearty appearance in spite of all. He was blind, but in his own home and farmyard he walked with the sure step of a man blessed with sight. His call penetrated through the patter of the rain to the servants as well as to the strangers. The horsemen, crowded in the doorway of the barn, paid no attention to Nicholas, who upon the appearance of the old man strangely resembled the latter's servants, so stiffly, motionlessly, and worried were his eyes fixed on the old man.

### Chapter 6

Who are you? What do you want here?" the blind man asked. He received the same reply from Kurt as the servants. The farmer nodded as he listened to Kurt and then invited the unexpected guests into the house.

The storm was getting more violent by the minute. Amid a heavy downpour, the troops once more strode through the farmyard and stepped into the large room of the old Saxon farmhouse, where a peat fire glowed and smoked on the huge hearth. The old man called a servant, had him more wooden stools to the fire, and bade the gentlemen and their companions welcome. The horsemen, whose doublets and jerkins were soaked, made their way to the fire. Nicholas separated himself from them even here and moved to one side where he sat in the darkest corner of the windowless room, which received little light from the glowing ashes. Now and then a bright flash of lightning made it possible to distinguish the features and figures of those

who stayed nearest the entry, among them the farmer and Frederick.

When Frederick advised stopping at this farm several hours ago it was not worry about the storm that motivated him. He felt a secret desire to learn something about the figure he had seen on the moor. He thought the people on this farm must surely know all the inhabitants of the solitary wilderness on the other sides of the Ems Valley. He had now been standing beside the old man for some time without putting a question to him. The horsemen were talking noisily while Kurt tom Plan and Nicholas Lorenzen were mutely awaiting the end of the storm.

The blind man ordered the oak table in the middle of the room to be set with a heavy loaf of bread, salt, and smoked meat and invited his guests to partake. Only a few of the soldiers approached the table. Others protested that they had just eaten. But the old man paid as little attention to this protest as he had to all the other talk. He gave no sign of curiosity, however unusual the presence of soldiers was in this remote area; he seemed completely uninterested.

Frederick finally decided to break the ice and ask the first question: "You are living a solitary life, far from all human aid!"

"From human aid? Yes! But God is everywhere!" the blind man replied and turned his face to the side of the room where a wooden crucifix and a saint's image hung on a blackened pillar.

The young man concluded the moor farmer and his people must belong to the Roman Catholic Church. He therefore said simply: "You are right — but nevertheless your farm is in an isolated place! How far is it to the nearest neighbors?"

"Down the river two hours and up the river three. On the other side of the water there is another farm, and there are some charcoal burners in the woods."

"And over there to the west, on the moor? inquired Frederick, the animation of his voice betraying to the blind man's keen ears that this was the question he had really wanted to ask.

The old man concealed a fleeting look on his face by turning away. Then he said quietly: "To the west? On the moor? Who do you think would be living there! Poor people build huts for digging peat and then leave them — as migratory birds leave their nests! I have had neighbors to my right and to my left, but none prospered. The moor does not give them enough to keep them alive!"

"And who is living over there now, near the hill with the large linden tree?" continued the young man obstinately.

"Near the hill with the linden tree! I didn't know there were any huts there in the last several years. But you can see for yourself — there may be a few peat diggers burrowing around there. None has been seen on our farm."

The old man's tone remained calm, detached. He went on attending to his minor household affairs and paid little attention to the stir around him.

Kurt tom Plan, who had heard the conversation between the farmer and the squire, arose from his seat by the fire and stepped to the door. The storm was passing. Its thunder rolled away in the valley, but the rain was still pouring. While pretending to be considering only the weather, he kept his eye on the blind man. Suddenly, turning to face him he said, "You must not be surprised at the squire's questions, old man. We are riding over the countryside to catch criminals. Anabaptists have been seen in Hamburg and Emden and people say some are living in this area."

"Anabaptists!" said the old man in an altered tone. "Anabaptists? You mean people like those who forty years ago overturned the seat of the Bishop of Munster, cast the towers down from the cathedral, and filled the whole city with blood and outrageous acts? You mean those who took ten virgins as their wives and allowed those they had plunged into disgrace to perish miserably? Do you mean the bloody fanatics?

"Well, farmer, you seem to be well informed about the old stories," said Nicholas from his seat. "A pity you are blind, or you could perhaps help us eradicate the fanatics."

"I am blind," replied the old man slowly, weighing every syllable, "I am blind but I hear well. And any human voice I have heard I never forget and I can indentify the owner with my ears."

### Chapter 7

Nicholas made no reply; he was leaning against a beam, sitting in complete darkness. But Kurt impatiently continued to address the old man.

"No, we are not looking for your bloody prophets. They have long been moldering at their sites of execution, but their delusion has infected their sons and grandsons, and we do not want them to carry on their doings until there is a repetition of what happened in Munster. You know nothing of Anabaptists?"

"Nothing but what took place forty years ago," cried the blind man. "As if it had happened yesterday, I know how the people fleeing from Munster came into the Ems Valley to find shelter from the authorities seeking blood vengeance, and how they scattered everywhere."

Kurt tom Plan turned back to the hearth and motioned to Frederick to follow him. Then the farmer also left the room and could be seen striding straight across the farmyard to his granary. Following him with his eyes, Kurt tom Plan said, "This man knows something." We must not leave this place without some investigation!"

"Knows something!" mocked Nicholas. "Yes, of course, the ancient stories of Matthiesen and Jan van Leyden, of Knipperdolling and Krechting, told around a peat fire to make the spinning maids' flesh creep."

"You do not inderstand the people in this ind, Nicholas," cried Kurt exasperated. "The old man was very excited. Even Frederick's innocent inquiries about the people living on the heath made his face twitch and when he mentioned the Anabaptists in Munster his voice was quivering and odd! The old man knows something—old or new, and I don't think all of us ought to ride off together."

"If he is a secret Anabaptist, you got off on the wrong foot, Kurt," said Nicholas. "You told him straight out that we are after the Anabaptists, and now 238

he can be cautious. But do as you wish. Arrest him and have him interrogated on the rack!"

At these words, Frederick's face truned a flaming red and Kurt tom Plan shook his head in visible annoyance: "The moor farmer an Anabaptist? By your leave, Nicholas, in our part of the country we know enough about the people in the Ems Valley to know that there is no need of torture! The old man abhors Anabaptists as he does us Protestants—but nevertheless he may know about their hiding places and their paths! It is my opinion we should leave the young squire here on the farm with several troopers to check on anyone who comes or goes. We will go to Leer and send scouts down both sides of the river. You'll see we will accomplish what we have set out to do."

Nicholas Lorenzen had meanwhile apparently weighed the problem and made up his mind. His face showed the hard, arrogant expression again and he said rising: "You'll see we will lose time and effort, too, but let it be as you say! Only I think we should leave Veit here with three soldiers and not the squire, who will ride with us."

Frederick, whose face had lighted up at tom Plan's proposal, now turned away annoyed and made his way from the hearth back to the door. But he paused when he heard tom Plan's words: "No, Nicholas! You cannot show higher honor to Veit than to you own cousin on account of the servants! The squire must stay here and I will answer for him—he will not be found wanting."

"You have quickly won a trusting friend in Kurt," said Nicholas to the young man, who was returning to the fire. "I am not going to object. Conduct yourself wisely and farewell! Let us leave, tom Plan, so we can get to Leer before nightfall."

"You are strange today, Nicholas; now cold, now hot! replied Kurt. "Your cousin has to know first what he is to do. We must agree on the roads to take and the tme we want to meet him."

"Do whatever you wish," said Nicholas. "You are urging this affair, you can also arrange it."

Therewith he got up from the stool and crossed the farmyard to the stable where the horses had been sheltered.

Most of the horsemen followed him. Walter and two others were held back by Frederick.

"You will stay here with me. We are going to remain here on the farm several days! What shall we tell the farmer, Kurt? Shall I address him as a guest or, as in var, stay in the house without speaking?"

"Do the former. That will be the better choice," answered tom Plan. "Keep your eye on everything, scout around in the neighborhood, and listen for any word the blind man or his servants might let slip. When you roam on the moor, leave your horses behind and look for a boat instead. If you discover anything send word to us at Leer. Above all, be on the lookout for people whom the farmer does not admit to his fireside."

The young man listened attentively to Kurt's advice and accompanied him out of the farmyard. The rain was beginning to let up. A ray of setting sun flashed through the clouds and illuminated the picture made by the yard. The horsemen swinging themselves up onto their horses and the farmer's hired nands staring with curiosity at the horsemen's clanking swords and doublets failed to notice Nicho's motioning to his young relative to come to him. Not even tom Plan heard the dialogue between them

### Chapter 8

Heed my words carefully," said the councillor, looking down from his seat on his horse. "If you are a man who is capable of standing on his own feet as you have often boasted to me, prove it here. I believe tom Plan is right. But if he is, and you come upon Anabaptists or Anabaptist-minded persons, cut them down without hesitation with the blade of your sword. Eradicate the criminals, wipe them out!"

"Without a hearing, without a trial, and without a sentence?" the young man asked, his face showing his

innermost consternation clearly enough.

"I can see already you were not born to rule," replied Nicholas mockingly. "Do you think we mean to fill the prisons of Hamburg with mobsters and fanatics? Do as I tell you - prove yourself to be a man, and earn the gratitude of the Council. But if I have been mistaken about you, I will not insist on your marriage to Langenscheidt's daughter and you can find a wife for yourself who suits you. And if you bring me prisoners, if you burden Hamburg with expenses, and me with the responsibility, then don't ever say another word about being able and wanting to stand on your own feet!"

Without another word Nicholas rode to the boundary of the farmstead. Kurt tom Plan, on his horse, saluted those remaining behind and even said a word of thanks to the blind farmer for his hospitality. Frederick, stunned and shocked by what he had just heard, stared so fixedly at the departing procession that his cousin

looked back at him—threateningly.

Walter had to remind the squire to ask the blind farmer for lodging. Frederick turned to the old man then and made his request. Again the farmer asked no question, pointed to a room in which he kept straw and hay, and said curtly: "In my house there are no quarters for gentry, and if you want to stay you will have to stretch out on the straw and get along with that! People who come uninvited cannot argue about bed and board!"

Then he left. Frederick ordered the horsemen, who were idly loafing, to keep an eye on everything in the house, but to let the blind man and his servants do

whatever they wished.

The maids now made their appearance and ventured to attend to the barns. At the sudden appearance of so many armed men, they fled into the dark corners of the barns and sheds. it was clear that the presence of the strangers on the premises was a burden to all. Frederick, to be sure, would have preferred to leave now, too. He had wanted to get far away from Nicholas, and he had secretly wished to trace the figure he had seen on the moor.

The possibile consequences of his assignment had not occurred to him until his cousin gave him his final orders. To be sure, he recalled his repulsion at having to join this expedition and swore to himself that come what may he would refuse to obey those bloody

instructions. When he caught sight of Walter he recalled the dialogue of the afternoon and for a moment he was overcome by the desire to do now what he had so often dreamed of, to lead his horse out of the stall and find the road to the west. But in the next moment he rejected the idea as desertion.

While he was irresolutely, confusedly considering things of the past and of the future, he had lost the affairs of the present from his mind. With some uneasiness he noticed that the blind farmer was neither in his barn nor inside at the fireplace. Neither Walter nor the other two soldiers had seen him and a question put to the servants received no answer. Frederick walked through the yard and stepped into the oak thicket which protected the house from the west wind. Cautiously he examined the paths to the river and the entire vicinity of the farmstead. He did not find either the farmer nor any other human being and in an ill humor he wandered farther and farther into the fields lying around the yard and along the Ems. He came upon some of the servants, but the farmer was nowhere to be seen.

But the old man had, after all, entered the same stable in which the strangers' horses were still neighing, right in front of the young man's eyes. A call from him startled a sleeper on a scaffold on the back wall, who had apparently not even awakened when the horsemen had pushed their way in. Upon hearing his name, he disentangled himself from the straw upon which he had been sleeping.

"What is it?" he asked the blind man who was

standing directly before him.

"Do you know the way to the Friesenhof on the moor? To the huts at the Friesenhof, Henry!" came the answer.

The sleeper, an old health shepherd, gave the gray-haired farmer a frightened look and said hesitantly, "The way to the Friesenhof? I went that way once twenty years ago, but then you forbade any of us to drive our flocks to that side of the moor. I hardly know if the Friesenhof is still in existence!"

"But are people living there? Surely you know?" continued the blind man.

The shephard sprang to his feet to assure himself his ears were not deceiving him. He saw the serious, almost solemn, expression on his blind master's face even in the dim light of the stable and answered simply, 'I think so. Now and then they send someone to me for herbs and, when their cows were dry, they sometimes asked for a bucketful of milk from the moor farm. Don't you want to allow that?''

"Tonight you must make your way to the Friesenhof. You must tell the people there that horsemen are roaming through the countryside, that their evil deeds are not yet forgotten among men, and that they must seek shelter wherever they can!" said the blind man.

"You are warning those people—you who abhor them like the plague and have never seen or spoken to one of them?" exclaimed the shepherd.

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I am warning them, Henry, because God will look at them and judge them. With their children and grandchildren they have been living a lonely life on the moor. I don't believe anyone has the right to persecute them anymore! Find the way to the Friesenhof and tell them what I have ordered you to say."

"I will do it immediately at daybreak. At night I wouldn't be able to find the way." answered Henry. "The Friesenhof is located three hours from here right in the middle of the wet moor. Also, those people have dug ditches and deepened the creek. I do not believe anyone could reach their houses unless one of them led them there in person."

The blind man made no reply; he left the shepherd and walked with sure steps between the pens to the stable door. He told Henry to feed the strangers' horses and then went to his house. At the fireside were two of the horsemen and Frederick. Walter was still wandering about among the barns and sheds. Frederick had returned out of sorts from his futile excursion into the fields and woods and called out to the old man.

"Where have you been? We were calling you!"

"In my sheep stable," said the farmer calmly. "You have your horses there and if I had not taken care of them they would be faring pretty badly." Although the blind man could not see Frederick's blush of embarrassment, the young man turned his face away. He put fresh peat on the fire and tried to open a conversation with the servants who were eating their evening meal. But both he and his horsemen soon wearied of the unwilling monosyllabic responses.

Frederick arose first to find his sleeping place. He gave the farmer and his servants an alternating night watch, and observed their facial expressions closely. But they seemed to be as unconcerned as if none of the activities of the uninvited guests touched the inhabitants of the farm. With the exception of the owner they did not bid them good-night.

And cursing about the inhospitable people, the horsemen finally lay down on their bundles of straw. Soon all was quiet on the grounds and only the tread of the soldier on guard resounded on the firm earth. Hour after hour passed; not a sound except the lowing of a cow or the neighing of some horses reached the ears of the careful listeners.

At the first break of dawn, when Frederick came out of the barn to relieve Walter, both of them looked around carefully, but heard as little as the guards before them.

Henry, the shepherd, who at that moment was stepping through a gap between the buildings into the adjoining trees, made his way along the green wall withou a sound and without moving a branch, crept across the road in his brown jacket, and straightened his back only when he knew the dense fog on the moor concealed everthing. Then with complete sureness he strode to the dark water that crept from the swamp across to the Ems.

In the farmyard all remained as quiet as before until the servants got up to look after the morning's work and the horsemen led their horses to thecreek to curry and water them. From the fireside, where the farmer had bread and milk set out for him, Frederick faced the coming day. It was the first one he had ever greeted with the feeling he was free and master of his own steps. Today he was permitted to find his own way, and was certain he would not have to see it crossed by the scowling face of Nicholas. He felt like shouting for joy—but his grim assignment did not allow for this; and added to it was the uncertainty about what he should do first. Walter, who came to share his breakfast, suggested they make their way together from the river to a tributary. He had discovered that some old roads led from the Ems Valley through the moor to West Friesland. But after brief reflection Frederick rejected that plan:

"If we stay together it would take us many days to find even the first track, Walter. Let's separate this morning and each of us spy out the paths leading west and east from the river. The ones that are used must be visible. In the evening we will meet and tomorrow we will choose the most likely ones and not some at random!"

Walter looked at Frederick in surprise and worry. Frederick could easily guess what was going through his mind. He shook his head and said, "Of course, Walter, we will meet this evening; I am not going to ride off in secret!"

But he still said nothing about the meeting of the day before and did not reveal his reason for choosing the area back toward the linden hill to look for paths. The farmer and his workers going back and forth in the yard paid less attention than ever to the outsiders. They did not watch them as they strode together through the oak hedge, and only because some of the men were going to the field did they notice that the visitors, leaving their horses at the farm, separated beyond the fields.

As soon as Frederick was sure he was alone, he made his way rapidly to the linden hill, completely disregarding the countryside round about and any paths that might have intertwined and crisscrossed. He hardly knew what was urging and pushing him on. The vision of the girl was fixed in his mind; he wanted to know—had to know, who she was and why she had struck him as a stranger and yet also familiar!

Frederick had never tasted the folly and freedom of youth. This new feeling of not being guarded nor thwarted filled him completely. He threw out his chest and with increasing speed he reached the green elevation which was visible from far out in the vicinity.

He climbed the hill where they had tethered the horses the day before. In the cool moss, he came upon signs of their meal; he saw the place where Kurt tom Plan had rested and looked out over the slope beyond the linden to the moor. He finally climbed down and tried to find the path he had followed yesterday. He soon reached the brown body of water, beyond which he had seen the girl and had noted her features and the beauty of her figure.

Irresolute, like yesterday, he tested the pool and, finding no ford anywhere, he decided to walk around it. But he found it difficult among the wet, spongy spots of the moor to find those that could serve as a path, and the longer it took, the less sure walkling became. In the dazzling rays of the sun, the ground frequently appeared to be dry, but still yielding under his groping

After struggling for hours, he reached the spot of, heath that stood out like an island from the brown

wilderness of the marsh. Before him and behind him he saw monotonous dark surfaces; he was nearly overcome by terror. Now he began to fear this search for a girl he did now know was sheer folly! How could he find her, who probably lived at the extreme edge of the league-wide plain, perhaps on one of the distant heaths, several of which arose, contrasting with the dark ground.

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Now he had to think about finding his way back, and the day was lost. The path was easier to find now this time. No matter how deeply Frederick's spirit had been engrossed by a single wish and thought, he had nevertheless carefully observed every turn in the path he had taken and he reached the area of the linden hill win less than half the time it had taken to cover it the first time.

When the came into the vicinity where the girl had disappeared yesterday the vision suddenly came to him again, with her kerchief falling from her head in her flight. And when he became aware that it was no longer lying there, he was thrilled by the realization that she must indeed have returned. Had she walked on this ground yesterday in the storm or this morning? Had she escaped him while he was eagerly looking for her? The same feeling that had seized him yesterday and had driven him through the marshes this morning returned stronger than ever.

He climbed the elevation - but before he reached the top a sudden outcry of fright blended with his own outcry of joy. Reaching the top of the hill with a single bound, he prevented a downhill bound that the fugitive was about to attempt. Trembling she collapsed at Frederick's feet. It was the girl whom he had caught sight of yesterday and who was now scared up out of the shade of the linden tree.

Her face was illuminated by her large dark eyes, and she raised herself up to him beseechingly. He was standing before her, hardly less frightened, only in a different way, and since he kept his hand on his sword she did not venture a step. Only when she uttered another cry of cutting fear, Frederick spoke to her: "Why are you trembling and groaning so? Are you afraid of violence? Do I look like a murderer?'

"He who has power uses power-you are carrying a sword!" she said, persisting in her position. Her speech and tone differed from those of the people of this countryside. They were as foreign as her appearance. The young man calmly unfastened the belt on which he carried the sword, letting it glide into the moss between them.

She was still trembling. Her pail tanned face showed in every feature her longing to escape, but also that the spell of fear still lay upon her. She seemed not to have hear Frederick's words-for minutes she seemed to be lost in thought. Then she said falteringly but passionately: "If you are not going to use force, if you intend to be merciful, then let me escape and don't watch where I go. To me it will mean salvation, and you will be rewarded by my father if you show mercy to

The young man was dumbfounded. At the words

"my father" the idea came to him that the stranger might belong to the despised fanatical sect. His look darkened as he asked: "Are you from the Anabaptist community?"

"I am who I must be," replied the girl, and her expression of fear was now accompanied by one of defiance. "If you want to kill me, do it here and at once. Don't let me be tortured by your comrades."

She bowed her head down to the moss again as if offering her neck. Deep pity for the poor girl stirred in the young man's heart. The effect of his question frightened him and extending his hand to the pale, quivering girl to help her up, he said, "I swear to you that I will do you no harm and will let you go freely to

any place you wish!"

"Don't swear! I believe you," cried the girl, looking up again. She was not trembling as violently as before and her features gradually lost their fear. Only an expression of shyness remained and seemed to be natural to her. But instead of arising she sank back still further. She was no longer kneeling before the young man but sat facing him. The longer he looked upon this youthful figure in the coarse, simply cut dress, upon this face, the stranger he felt. His blood was seething. He felt both sympathy and fear. Again and again the feeling came over him that he had known this face long before the previous day. He collected himself for a new question, which could not possibly frighten the girl.

"What is your name? Do you come here every day?" She looked at him with distrustful hesitation. But Frederick's blue eyes resting upon her with sympathy, not inquisitiveness, seemed to give her courage.

"My name is Hilla," she said. "Until today I have been coming up here about noon because I love these trees. I shall never be here again!'

"Where do you come from? Why do you want to avoid this place, Hilla?" the young man continued.

She shook her head, her lips moved as if she were holding back her answer. Finally she exclaimed bitterly, "If you were noble and wanted to be kind and merciful you would not ask me! You come from the world. You do not tremble when you meet people and do not have to call upon God for rescue whenever anyone catches sight of you.

Frederick was awed by Hilla's reply. She looked longingly over toward the green Ems Valley, toward the world. She had praised his good fortune, which he would have liked to run away from at any moment. His pity, his sympathy increased, but still he could not suppress the rejoinder: "It is your own fault, Hilla, you have to tremble and be afraid. Tear the damnable heresy out of your heart, separate yourself from the Anabaptist rabble, and save your soul and body!"

He stopped suddenly. In the midst of the Protestant zeal that had seized him, it occured to him she had probably never heard anything except what her associates taught and would be incapable of understanding him. But he met a look in the girl's eye that confused him, and he saw her face suffused with a delicate blush.

"You came into the world where your father and mother lived! You must bear the lot of your parents and are not asked whether you like it. But the Father is

### TO RECALL A FEW MEMORIES OF THE PAST

THE SPEICHER-SPYMER-SPICHER FAMILY

CONTINUED FROM JUNE, 1980 ISSUE (333) Polly Troyer (326) born 1870 married to Jacob M. Miller of Middlebury, Indiana, a son of Christian J. Miller married to Katie Kauffman was ordained a minister in LaGrange County in 1918. A daughter Katie Miller married to Jacob S. Miller of Topeka, a daughter Anna Miller, married to Elmer T. Miller of Goshen.

(334) Lydia E. Troyer (326) born 1872 married to Samuel M. Miller, brother of Jacob, mentioned above of

LaGrange County.

(335) Lizzie Troyer (326) born 1875, died 1937, married to Peter E. Miller born in 1880 in Holmes County, Ohio, son of Eli J. S. and Mary P. (Beachy) Miller, he was ordained a minister at Centerville, Michigan where most of their children lived. (336) William P. Miller (335) born 1912, married to Emma L. Miller, daughter of Levi Miller, he was ordained to the ministry in 1925, and Bishop in 1947, their son Roy W. Miller was ordained minister in the North Barrens district in 1968, and Bishop in 1972. A daughter of William P. Miller, Katie Ann Miller, married to E. Alva Bontrager, live at Danville, Ohio. Another daughter of William P. Miller, named Mary W. Miller, married to Reuben S. Bontrager, son of Samuel N. and Fanny (Bontrager) (Hochstetler) Bontrager was ordained a minister in 1954 and Bishop in 1970 and are living at Ashley, Steuben County, Indiana.

(337) Polly P. Miller (335) born 1903, married to Lonny

Miller, son of Phenas Miller.

(338) Eli P. Miller (335) married to Caroline Overholt, Centreville, Michigan, one of their sons, William G. Miller, married to Polly Mast, living at Ridgeway, Hardin County, Ohio.

(339) Lydia P. Miller (335) born 1908, married to Dan D. Bontrager, Mendon, Michigan, one of their children, Delbert D. Bontrager had lived in Asuncion, Paraquay.

(340) David P. Miller (335) born 1911, married to

Barbara Bontrager, Centreville, Michigan.

(341) Christ P. Miller (335) born 1911, married to Iva Hostetler, she died 1960 and they have a large family of Centreville, Michigan.

(341) David E. Troyer (326) born 1878, married to Katie S. Yoder, there were ten children born to this union but only three reached the age to be married. (342) Levi D. Troyer (341) married Margaret Stauffer and (343) Fannie D. Troyer, married to Christian D. Yoder of Reno County, Kansas, but lived at New Haven, Indiana.

(344) Sarah E. Troyer (326) born 1884, married to Joseph B. Miller, born 1884, they with their children

were in LaGrange County, Indiana.

(345) Polly Yoder (325) (of the June issue) born 1846, in Somerset County, married to David J. Miller, born 1845 in Holmes County, Ohio and were residents of Midland, Michigan, there were seven children born to this union.

1. Rudy Miller, married to Fannie Mishler.

- 2. Samuel Miller, married to Lizzie Miller.
- 3. Abraham Miller, married to Katie Miller.
- 4. Annie Miller, married to Benedict Miller.
- 5. Menno D. Miller, married to Laura Yoder.
- 6. Harry Miller, married to Katie Pearl Miller.
- 7. Elizabeth Miller, married to Enos Yoder.

(346) Rudy Miller (345) born 1866, married to Fannie Mishler, born 1876, daughter of Andrew and Sarah (Hershberger) Mishler. They had three sons and were mostly in Ohio and were affiliated with the Mennonite Churches.

(347) Samuel Miller (345) born 1868, married to Lizzie Miller, born 1876, daughter of Preacher Manasses and Anna (Miller) Miller of White Cloud, Michigan. They had two children, William Miller, of LaGrange County, married to Edna Mae Miller, one of their girls married to Elva Lehman, who is now a deacon in the Amsie Troyer District. (348) Anna Miller (347) born 1899, married to Levi S. Miller, son of Simeon L. and Mattie (Lantz) Miller. They had lived with their family in Buchanan County, and now in Wisconsin.

(349) Abraham D. Miller (345) Born 1874, married to Katie Miller, born 1875, daughter of Daniel D. and Lydia (Trover) Miller. They lived at Prattsville, Michigan.

- (350) Annie D. Miller (345) born 1876, married to Benedict Miller, born 1873, son of Eli J. S. and Mary (Beachy) Miller. They were at Conway Springs, Kansas and then moved to Dover, Delaware. To them were born three children.
- 1. David B. Miller, married to Cassie A. Miller.
- 2. Joni B. Miller, married to Polly Troyer.
- 3. Polly B. Miller, married to Daniel M. Plank.
- (351) David B. Miller (350) born 1899, died 1967, married to Cassie A. Miller, born 1900, daughter of Ammon H. and Lizzie J. (Miller) Miller. They married at Dodge City, Kansas and then moved to Dover, Delaware. Their children are:
- 1. Ammon Henry Miller, married Verna Mast, Conewango Valley, New York.
- 2. Anna D. Miller, married Allen Petersheim, Oakland, Maryland.
- 3. Lizzie D. Miller, married Adam E. Miller, Hartly, Delaware.
- 4. Polly D. Miller, married Menno Hershberger, Randolph, New York.
- 5. Lydia D. Miller, married Jonas D. Hershberger, Dover, Delaware.
- 6. Elma Mae Miller, married Jonas Mast, Warren Center, Pa., ordained minister in 1976.
- 7. Mary D. Miller, married Floyd Petersheim, Oakland, Maryland.
- 8. Benedict D. Miller, married Civilla Yoder, Dover, Delaware.
- 9. Joni D. Miller, married Lydia D. Yoder. They moved from Dover, Delaware to Wroxeter, Canada and then to Albion, Michigan, from there to Dover, Delaware, where he died in the early part of 1979. Their son, Larry Miller, married to Esther Troyer and are living in Holmes County, Ohio.
- 10. Gertie Miller, married to John Henry Gingerich, Hartly, Delaware.
- 11. Rosa D. Miller, married Jacob D. Kurtz, Dover, Delaware.

12. Enos D. Miller, married Katie Byler, Dover, Delaware.

13. David D. Jr. Miller, married Mary H. Miller, Dover, Delaware.

14. Roman D. Miller, married Rhoda Beachy, Maryland.

15. Samuel D. Miller, married Anna Mae Byler, Wyoming, Delaware.

16. Susanne D. Miller, married Melvin J. Miller, Dover, Delaware.

The second child of Benedict E. and Anna D. (Miller) Miller of (352) is Joni B. Miller (350) born in Summer County, Kansas in 1901, married first Polly C. Troyer, second to Katie Bontrager; their children are: Minnie Miller, married to Homer Bontrager, LaGrange; Anna Mae Miller, married to Floyd Miller, LaGrange; Susie Alice J. Miller, married to Clarence Schrock, LaGrange; Ella J. Miller, married to Orva Hostetler, LaGrange; Elva J. Miller, married to Vernon Weaver, LaGrange.

The third child of Benedict E. and Anna Miller is (353) Polly B. Miller (350) born 1906, married to Daniel M. Plank, in Summer County, Kansas, son of Joni T. and Mary (Bontrager) Plank, they moved to Dover, Delaware, and had one son, Delbert Leroy Plank, married to Betty Humphries, Dover, Delaware.

Another child of David J. and Polly (Yoder) Miller was (354) Menno D. Miller (345) born 1878, married to Laura Yoder, born 1879, died 1919 at thirty years of age, leaving nine children. Menno married second time to Katie Helmuth, daughter of Jacob and Lydia (Otto) Helmuth, Arthur, Illinois. She died in 1926 at thirty eight years of age, leaving two more children named Floyd and Clara Miller, who were then adopted into the family of Noah J. Helmuth, Arthur, Illinois. Menno and his family lived at Midland, Michigan, who were mostly of the Mennonite Churches.

(355) Harry D. Miller (345) born 1882, married to Katie Pearl Miller, born 1884, they with their four children were of Middlebury, Indiana.

(356) Elizabeth D. Miller (345) born 1884, married to

Enos Yoder, Topeka, Indiana.

The next child of Christian J. and Anna (Eash) Yoder of number (325) is (357) Elizabeth Yoder (325) born 1849, in Somerset County, died 1918, married to Moses C. Miller, born 1850, in Holmes County, Ohio, son of Christian and Catharine (Mast) Miller. They lived at Middlebury, Indiana and at Haven, Kansas, Their children were:

1. Christian M. Miller, born 1870, died young.

2. Annie Miller, born 1871, married Joseph E. G. Yoder, this family is intermarried with the Speicher family (see page 22 of the May 1980 issue of The Diary)

3. Sarah Miller, born 1872, died in infancy. 4. Savilla Miller, born 1873, died in infancy.

5. William M. Miller, married Sarah Miller.

6. Infant son, born and died 1876.

7. Lydia Miller, born 1877, died in infancy.

8. Katie Miller, married Samuel S. Bontrager.

9. Andrew M. Miller, married Gertrude Miller.

10. Elizabeth Miller, died in infancy.

11. Moses M. Miller, born 1887, died in infancy. 12. Joseph M. Miller, born 1890, died in infancy.

13. Polly M. Miller, born 1891, died 1911.

(359) William M. Miller (357) born 1874, married to Sarah Miller, born 1878, in LaGrange County, Indiana, daughter of Joseph and Rosa Ann (Bontrager) Miller. He was ordained a minister and bishop and lived at Haven, Kansas, and at Medford, Wisconsin. Their children were:

1. Elizabeth, born 1898, married Edward A. Bontrager, born 1897, in Reno County, Kansas and moved to

Buchanan County, Iowa.

2. Rose Anna Miller, born 1900, in Reno County, Kansas, married to Joseph Schrock, born in Oregon and moved to Curtis, Wisconsin.

3. Edna Miller, born 1902, in Reno County, married to David Schrock, son of Joseph and Rachel (Christner)

Schrock, they moved to Medford, Wisconsin.

4. Joseph W. Miller, born 1909, in Reno County, married to Annie Miller, born in Thomas, Oklahoma and

lived in Buchanan County, Iowa.

(360) Katie Miller (357) born 1879, Reno County, Kansas, married to Samuel S. Bontrager, son of Joseph E and Annie (Miller) Bontrager. Samuel S. was ordained a deacon at Haven, Kansas, in 1905. They had a family of ten children and only a few of them grew to adulthood.

(360) Abraham M. Miller (357) born 1883, in LaGrange County, married to Gertrude Miller, daughter of Samuel B. and Lydia (Weirich) Miller. (Gertrude was a sister to Ammon H. Miller, as mentioned in number (351) of this article.) Their children are:

1. Polly Miller, married Harry J. Bontrager.

2. Elizabeth Miller, married H. D. Fry.

3. Lydia Miller, born 1910, died 1912.

4. William A. Miller, married Mary Schrock.

5. Samuel Miller, born 1915. 6. Moses Miller, born 1917.

7. Irvin Miller, born 1920.

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everywhere and whoever is in Him can endure suffering which he has not merited!"

Frederick Lorenzen grew silent in the face of the Anabaptist maiden, who now stood erect before him. She raised a foot to leave, she looked at him imploringly. He felt he should not let her go away. He had almost forgotten where and who he was-her beseeching look now reminded him. He had one more

question, a warning on his lips.

But he had already stepped aside and the girl glided past him. A wave of her hand thanked him for letting her escape and bade him farewell. She went down the hill, his glance following her. From the edge of the moor she sent a final imploring look and he remembered her words and stepped under the canopy of leaves of the nearest linden in order not to follow her path. Overcome by the experience as well as the toil of the day he lay down on the moss, on the very spot where she had looked out into the world from which she was banished.

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By Wilhem Lange

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### Translated by Maria Karat

It was around 2 o'clock in the night. The Italian village of Isoletta lay in a deep sleep. Only the Kikeriki of a rooster broke the silence from time to time. It was the longing for the morning to come and also a greeting for the other locked in roosters in the neighborhood; and here and there they answered with another "Kikeriki" and then there was silence.

Carmela, a very pretty child of eight years, listened to make sure that all her family was sound as leep, and then very quietly she got out of bed, put on her dress, and to avoid any noise, carried her wooden shoes in her hand and very quietly walked downstairs to the kitchen. By the light of the moon only, which came through the window, she climbed up on a chair, took a key from a hook on the wall, walked down another small staircase. which brought her to a kind of storeroom, A dog, which was locked in this room, no sooner heard the steps of the child, started to bark and scratch on the door. It was a happy and joyous bark, but it also could stop Carmelas daring undertaking from becoming a success. "Quiet, Lampo, quiet" she said, while she was looking for the keyhole in the darkness.

Lampo quieted down, but his excitement was too great to stop it all together. He knew that she came to free nim, and his joy was extra big because she was his master, and he loved her most of all.

Finally she found the lock, turned the key and opened the door. The good Lampo jumped up on her, and she could feel his soft paws on her knees and on her chest, and his damp snout touching her hands and her face. "Quiet, Lampo, quiet," she repeated. And she stroked his slender flexible body trying to calm him down.

The dog following her, she climbed the stairs went back into the kitchen, took a big piece of polenta from a drawer and put it in her pocket. Then she went to the little door, which led out into the garden. But trying as hard as she could, she could not budge the bolt; but she did not loose courage-and because the door was so obstinate, she silently opened the window. Lampo understood right away, and in one jump he was up on the window sill. Using a chair, Carmela also climbed up-sitting on the window sill she surmised that it was 5 feet to the ground. But she knew the ground was soft and damp, so she jumped; and even though she lost her balance and fell forward, she was not hurt and quickly got up on her feet. Lampo already had jumped and silently landed on his soft paws.

'Quiet, Lampo, quiet'' she said for the 100th time already; for she knew that he hardly could suppress his joy to be free again. She put on her wooden shoes, rubbed the damp soil off her hands to which it stuck, passed the stable to her left and walked to a certain hedge which grew around the garden; forced her little body though a small opening, which some boys had made when they came to steal the strawberries, and soon she found herself in the street. She straightened

out her dress and surveyed her situation. Behind her was the quiet and tranquil house which seemed to invite her back. Her Father, her Grandmother and her little sister: mabe they were dreaming about her and would search for her all over in a few hours. In front of her was the lonely field, the dark forest and then the steep mountain over which she would have to climb to reach her goal.

For a moment the child grew fearful and felt the tears coming to her eyes. But the subdued whimpering of Lampo broke the spell. Carmela knew she had to save

her best friend, her protector, at all costs.

Oh, Father and Grandmother must be bad people! Why did they plan to kill Lampo? Lampo, who came to her defense a couple of days ago, when a dog, who was roaming about in the street was ready to bite her! Carmela didn't think such wickedness was possible, if she hadn't heard it with her own ears!

Right after lunch it was that she got suspicious: when the ugly man came, who said he was a messenger from the town councillor of St. Augustin and wanted to talk to her father, Senior Ambrogio Mareni, legal Trustee of the whole county. And Father grew very serious, took Lampo and locked him up.

Oh, Dear God, why? she had asked her father, but he had made poor excuses and gave her half answers. Grandmother, to whom she turned, hugged her and talked softly, kissing the tears from her cheeks, saying

Lampo would be free again in the morning.

Oh, no, she wasn't such a dumb little girl to believe that story! Sure she kept calm and made believe she was accepting those explanations—but she knew better; so she went out into the fruit Garden and in the yard, fed the little chicks, then quietly she returned and listened at the door of the room her father and grandmother occupied. The Pastor and her teacher said once, it wasn't nice to listen at the door, and Carmela didn't doubt that, but this was a very important matter to her and she figured Father and Grandmother were talking about that matter and she was right!

"The poor animal," sighed Grandmother, "I feel so bad about it." "Me too, but we can't save him" Senior Ambrogio Mareni answered. "No we can't," but see to it that he doesn't have to suffer long." "No, there is no danger of that; I have a steady hand and a good eye, he will not realize what is going to happen." "And when is it going to happen?" "Tomorrow morning while Carmela is in school. The poor girl's heart will break!" "We should make an excuse and say he died of sickness." "She is not going to believe that! You can't fool Carmela." "In any case she will calm down after it happened and will soon get used to a new dog." "It will not be easy to find another one like Lampo!'

Carmela didn't hear more; but what she did was enough to make her shudder. She hadn't the slightest hope, that her father would change his mind, for once he had made up his mind nobody in the whole world could change it. And her grandmother? Well it would have been a lost effort to turn to her, because in all things she followed her son's wishes and advice.

Nevertheless she would not abandon faithful Lampo to his fate and knowing her pleading for him would be in vain-she quickly pondered and prepared a plan in her mind. In the night she would flee with Lampo; she would

walk to the village Riviera, to her Aunt Norina, who was the sister of her beloved mother.

Aunt Norina knew the good animal; she liked the dog, didn't she want to take him along home the last time she visited Isoletta? And she loved her niece. Wasn't it unthinkable therefore that she would refuse Carmela's

The only difficulty was how to get to Riviera. Carmela had never been there. Once, when she and her father accompanied Aunt Norina far into the forest, she heard her aunt say: "Behind this mountain lies a valley, and behind the valley is another higher mountain than this one and behind that mountain lies Riviera. When you are older you can come to visit me for eight days." "And how long does it take to get to Riviera?" "It takes me five hours to get there," was the answer, "but you with your little legs, will need much more time."

With this little knowledge, and with this little encouragement Carmela started on her journey. The way? Oh she will find it, and the hardship and difficulty? Oh she will find a way to master that! As long as she can reach her distination before nightfall. It wasn't even daybreak: and the days were sooo long!

After long consideration Carmela chose. a path which ran between two wheatfields. Lampo, who enjoyed his new found freedom, ran ahead, came back, made believe he was chasing something, leaped right and left into the wheatfields, so that the wheat rustled and swished, appear again in front of Carmela, layed down and looked up at her as if he would want to thank her for being free.

Once in a while Carmela could hear the barking of a w .tchdog in a chalet or cottage, somewhere she heard the mooing of a cow, or she would hear the happy kikeriki of a rooster; then she would start to walk faster, because she wanted to get away from the villages and living quarters of people; she wanted to get nearer to the mountain. Soon she left the fields and came to a meadow; then she walked along the fence of the cemetery; she made the sign of the cross and thought of her dear mother; then she quickly walked down the steep path and reached the brook. It was a very narrow strip of water and she easily could have crossed it, but she wanted to be sure, so she walked through a lot of willowshrubs and hedges till she came to a small bridge which she could cross and behind which a road led up to a knoll; this she knew, because once she had gone that far with her aunt. The moon, who shone bright in a cloudless sky sent its rays down to the brook over the white pebblesand the water of the brook appeared to be blue steel and the outlines of the mountain stood out so sharp and one could see the shadow of Carmelas slim figure clearly on the ground.

Once she had passed over the bridge the scenery started to change. The few plants and hedges she had seen grew thicker and thicker. Hundert year old pinetrees stretched their trunks straight up into the sky—and the bright moonlight had a very hard time to shine through all the thick branches, and above the heads of the two fugitives the secret sounds and noises of the woods started to unfold. Carmela was afraid, but the presence of Lampo, calmed her down again.

The dog Lampo, didn't care which road Carmela

chose He was free again after being locked up for 10 long hours, and he was able to breath the fresh air in again. He didn't think about anything else. As soon as a glimmer of light shone on Carmela, he looked up at her and with his big eyes he would thank her again and again that she had set him free, and for all the troubles she was seemingly going through for him now.

The moon disappeared behind the mountains, the air became fresh and clear, the birds left their nests and jumped from branch to branch all the way up to the top of the pinetrees, to await therethe rising of the sun and already you could see the red coloring of the clouds far back on the horizon. At first there were only a few hesistant callnotes of the birds, small notes, then the answers came from left and right till in the tops of all the woods came alive way up in the sky. But on the ground where Carmela walked it still was dark and very quiet.

Carmela wished she was in an open field again. These pinetrees! one followed the other so closely—withheld the sky from her and made her heart very sad. Quickly she hurried towards the steep path, in the hope that she would come out of the forest so she could breathe more freely and that she could see the wide sky again and could see the horizon!

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harvested, melons are better this year than for quite several years.

Juniata County, Penna. - David Y. Renno

The weather here was mostly very warm and dry. We've had about 21/2 inches rain here which all came in one week and soon dried off again under the warm sun. August wasn't quite as warm as July and grass got green again for a while.

Crops in general were fair to good. Corn is very spotty. The late planted corn is much the best this year. Early corn on shallow soil makes no ears. It will take a lot of acres to fill some of those big new silos.

Gettsyburg, Penna. [Adams County] - Elizabeth A. Stoltzfus

Weather for August was warm and dry, but not as dry as July. We had 2.6 in. rainfall in August, while in July only 1.1 inches of rain fell. Morning temperatures were mostly in the upper 60's or lower 70's. There were 3 mornings with temperature in the 50's. The coolest morn was on the 17th, when it was 54 degrees.

Corn shows lack of moisture and some places very short with no ears, while other spots its green and making ears. Several farmers have started to fill silo.

Yards and pastures are green.

Food prices are rising continually, 10 pounds of sugar was 4.97 in the A. and P. last week.

### Meyersdale, Penna. [Somerset County] - Mary A. Kinsinger

Our weather during August has been quite warm and a moderate amount of rain. The week of the 18th was rather cool and rainy, but has been quite warm since again.

Thrashing oats and putting in hay has been on the work list for the men. Oats as a rule has good yields. Field corn is good and looks very promising. Canning is in full swing for the women.

### Mercer County, Penna. - Mrs. Eli Kurtz

August had many rainy days so that it was rather a problem for farmers to get their thrashing done. The last week in August was more favorable for thrashing and hauling second crop hay. Also had some real warm weather. Thrashing I think is now mostly done and next will be silo filling. Corn looks to be a good crop. Some oats made 90 bushel to the acre.

### Mercer County, Penna. - Dan J. Troyer

August was wet and warm. We had about 7 inches of rain of which 3 inches in about 2 hours, Thursday evening the 21st. Oats thrashing was later due to the rainy weather, but is about all done

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- 4. Daß die Meidung foll gehalten werden nach Chrifti und der Apostel Lehr bis das sie wieder der Gemein

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aufgenommen, es fie im Essen und Trinken, Handel und Mandel

- 5. Und wer diese Meidung übertrit aus Sowacheit oder Unwissenheit kann versöhnt werden mit bekennen es ist gesehlt. Wer aber aus Leichtsinn oder Frecheit übertritt ist aber nicht wiederspenstig wann Er angered wird daß kann mit der Höchsten Bekenntniß versöhnt werden; ist Er aber wiederspenstig und will gar nicht hören, der soll abgesondern werden.
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- 10. Zum beschluß follen alle obgemelbete Artikel nach Christlicher Ordnung und Langmuth beobachtet und gehandelt werden.

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now with good yields. Second crop hay is good but hard to get dry and clover is dead ripe. Corn is starting to dent.

### Crawford County, Penna. - Mrs. Menno Fisher

The first half of the month was extremely wet. Farmers couldn't get in the fields to make second crop hay, nor to binder the oats. Sweet corn wasn't as plentiful either, due to wet weather, a lot of tomatoes rotted, limas are very scarce. However the last 2 weeks we've had drying weather and conditions have changed for the better. We hired combines to harvest the much over ripe oats. And had good weather to bale straw. And are at last making the rest of second crop hay.

Watermelons and muskmelons are plentiful, and +1 ey are good

Highest temperature was 84 degrees lowest 46 degrees, total rainfall, 7.24 inches.

### Holmes County, Ohio - Mrs. John H. Yoder

The month of August was wet through out the whole month, poor hay weather. Some peop'e cut their hay and let it lay. Alot of oats was thrashed this week, late on account of wet weather. Grass is still green. Corn crop looks wonderful where the hail didn't hit. Silo filling has started.

We had a total of 71/2 inches of rain, with warm and humid weather.

### Western Tuscarawas County, Ohio - Jonas N. Borntrager

August brought 8 inches of rain which made it kinda hard to thrash oats and make second cutting hay. We had no rain now for 10 days. The farmers are done thrashing and are catching up with hay making and are starting to prepare wheat ground. We also had some sunshine every day in August.

Wheat, oats and hay were a good crop. Lots of fall pasture. Lawns have to be mowed every week. Corn on the hills look very promising, the bottoms not so good.

Hogs above 50 cents.

### Eastern Holmes County, Ohio - Raymond Weaver

We had an unusual abundance of rain during August, bringing with it some problems for farmers. There was some lodging and overflowing of oats in bottoms, etc. The repeated rains delayed the thrashing crews to the extend that some of the oats crop was finished during the last week in August which is later than normal for this locality. Yields varied somewhat due to weather conditions, but averaged out fairly good. There was also some hail damage on several farms in the southern part. The unusual weather conditions, over wide areas, along with other natural phenomenea like earthquakes, eruptions and tornadoes in unusual places again remind us that the end may be near.

### Southeastern Holmes County, Ohio - John L. Yoder

Our weather for August was on the damp side. With about 9 or 10 inches of rain. Some storms and thunder showers. Oats thrashing was at a standstill for about 10 days. The last week was without rain and farmers took advantage of it. Oat thrashing is coming to a close. Silo filling is just around the corner. Grass fields are looking their best. Corn fields a variation, due to some too wet places.

Cattle prices are still good. Hog prices .50 or better. Not much damage in pig prices. Feed prices also advanced.

### Ashland County, Ohio - Ammon A. Troyer

August was quite wet, which gave the farmers a hard time to get oats thrashed. The last week in August was real nice then and most of the oats is thrashed now. Some second cutting hay to make yet. Rainfall for the month was 4.1 inches.

Peaches sure are expensive this year.

### Hicksville, Ohio - David Raber

The first three weeks in August were wet as we had a little rain almost everyday. Corn looks real good, but a few spots were hit by hail. The grain prices seem to be up again, corn is \$3.25 a bushel and beans are \$7.57.

### LaGrange County, Indiana - Anna Eash

Weatherwise August was nice and somewhat normal, with around 5 inches of rainfall, and some 90 degrees days but nights were comfortably cool. Wheat is thrashed and did fair. Corn looks continued on page 30 247

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reasonably safe. But now both were more or less anxious lest the hawklike eyes During the night, while enveloped in darkness, the fugitives had felt of their enemies should spy them from afar.

"Hadn't we better crawlinto some thicket and hide there till night?" Oscar soon inquired, glancing about nervously. "We don't want to be made

"No, we don't - that we don't," admitted Zally, with no slight emphasis. prisoners again.

So I guess we'd better keep hoofin' it. Hope we're follerin' the right direction. "But we don't want to set around in the shade till they trail us down, neither. It stays so thick cloudy I cain't tell any more about it than I could last night."

Oscarlooked up. "If it rained hard, it would wash our trail out, wouldn't it,

so that the Indians couldn't follow us?"

"Guess it would. But they'll have a hard job follerin' our trail anyhow, after we take a few tucks in it. Beginnin' to feel purty holler inside, I am. Wisht we had a little snack to stay our stomachs, as pap says.",

"Be a good while before we get anything to eat, won't it, Zally?"

"No, it won't. We'll soon find sumpn' to put inside of us. Wisht we had a

piece of that buffalo cow, br'iled." "What can we find?" Oscar wanted to know, eagerly. His appetite, had

been sharpened by those hours of hard tramping.
"Same thing I found back yander, if nothin' else. Lucky we didn't jump

been past travelin'. Yander's a big bunch now -- well loaded, too." He turned onto any more of 'em in the dark, barefooted like we both was. We might ha his steps toward a clump of prickly pears.

"What! Eat those stickery things?" exclaimed Oscar. "I never saw you eat

'em back at home."

"I don't eat 'em much when I've got anything better. They're not so bad,

Coming to the cactus, Zally caught hold of one of the purple pears with thumb and finger, gingerly, and cut it off with his pocket-knife. Having wiped the stickers off against the grass, he handed it to Oscar. Then he plucked a dozen or two more. After looking everywhere to make sure that no Indians were in sight, he sat down to eat his breakfast.

Oscar bit his pear and nibbled at it, a little doubtfully at first, then more hopefully. "It tastes pretty good," he declared; and he proceeded to eat it.

were not only barefooted, but bareheaded. Zally had lost his cap in his race Soon he threw himself down in the grass; near Zally, to eat and rest. both with the Comanche at the time of being made a prisoner; and Oscar's hat had been raked off by a limb during that long night ride behind a Comanche.

"Lucky I had this knife," Zally remarked while eating. "I started to cut my meat with it last night, but I happened to think the red boogers might take it away from me if they saw it. Lucky they didn't think to search us."

"I had my knife in my pocket, but I was afraid to use it," Oscar said.

onhandy 'specially on my own feet. And I'd ha' been ever so much more apt to "Guess maybe I could ha' untied that rope, but it would ha' come mighty

again. Now Zally, to make their trail difficult to follow, began to plunge into Not long after eating all they wanted of the pears, they got up and moved on the densest, most trangled thickets he came to - thickets that not even a wake the big redskin.",

At length, while climbing up a prairie slope toward a ridge, they heard the tramping of many hoofed feet on the other side.

Comanche could possibly ride through.

"Either wild horses or buffaloes," was Zally's guess, after they had paused

The animals were approaching at a trot, and proved to be horses. But a few moments after catching sight of them the boys dropped down into the grass like a shot, both nearly frightened out of their senses.

also caught a glimpse of them. Drove and drivers passed not more than a hundred yards away, and the shivering, cowering fugitives were very thankful And well they might be; for they had caught a glimpse of several Indians' heads following close behind the horses. They wondered if the Indians had that the grass was so thick and so high. Not till the savage band had trotted on, and the noise of hoofs had completely died away, did the two boys dare to get

upon their feet again.

"Yes. It couldn't ha' been our bunch, of course. These fellers had made a "Another gang of Indians, wasn't it, Zally?" raid into some Mexican settlement, I guess."

Taking the trail of the driven horses, they followed it, backward. At length they entered some scattered woods, and not long afterward they came to a camp fire, where the Indians had spent the night. There was something familiar about the place, and Zally soon recognized it.

"Don't you see where we've got to?" he asked, gazing around.

"Yes, sir! Right there's where we slep' last night — or quiled down to sleep. I didn't sleep a wink myself." "Do you mean -

"But how can that be?" demanded Oscar. We've been traveling hard most of the time since we got away. We've tramped miles and miles-

"In a circle," completed Zally. "I've heared tell that people do that when they don't have anything to guide 'em; but this is my first time to git fooled that a way myself. No doubt about it, though. Yander's the buffalo we et some uv. Let's have a few bites more while we're here."

Oscar was more than willing - those prickly pears had mot made a very substanial breakfast - and two good-sized slabs of buffalo meat were soon broiling on the coals.

"That smells mighty good," chuckled Zally, sniffing the odor. And a few minutes later, after they had begun to eat, he said, with his mouth full: "We'll cook up a lot of this and carry it with us, to eat on our way home. Lucky we wound back to this camp, I guess. We'd ha' had to live on prickly pears and acorns and the like. But now we'll — What's that? Sounds to me like horses gallopin!"

Horses it proved to be, and the fugitives, still clinging to their broiled meat, ran to a near thicket and crawled into it. Soon two mounted Indians rode into view. They halted for a moment or two at the camp fire, then galloped on,

following the trail of their band.

"Were they some other Indians, Zally?"

"No, they wasn't — that they wasn't! Didn't you notice old Scarface, the big booger we slen' between \_ I mean that slen' between us?"

big booger we slep' between — I mean that slep' between us?"
"I was too scared to notice anybody. Where do you s'pose they've been?"

"Huntin' for me and you, like as not; or for their runaway horses. But they've called it a bad job and gone on. Maybe others behind, though. I didn't see how many was in that drove."

"Then we'd better not hang around here."

"No, we hadn't. It's a danger's place. Any injuns left behind will come right

here to strike the main bunch's trail."

The boys soon emerged from their thicket. They were still gnawing at their broiled meat, with much satisfaction, when the beating of many hoofs began to be heard in the distance.

"More redskins!" exclaimed Zally, in suppressed tones. "They're fetchin' back a bunch of their horses, I guess. Too hot around here for us! Let's make

acks!'

Away they fled through the woods, as fast as they could run. Nor did they stop running till the horsemen were out of hearing, and they themselves were out of breath. Then they dropped down to a walk, and kept walking, finishing their meal as they went. They wanted to get as far as possible from that dangerous camp.

After tramping several miles they threw themselves down to rest. Both were

well-nigh exhausted.

"Zally, don't you s'pose our folks will follow the Indians, and try to rescue us from 'em?"
"Ruther guess they will. I know pap will if he can persuade anybody to come

with 'im. It may take some time to gether up men and git started; but he won't spare horseflesh, when they do once strike the trail."

"Then we ought to be back at the trail to meet 'em, oughtn't we?"

"That's so; we ought. I hadn't thought of that," admitted Zally, sitting up suddenly. "We'll strike straight back."

After resting they got up and started, directing their course so as to intercept the Indian trailfarther south than where they had left it.

Bitter would have been their disappointment if they had known that the last party of horsemen — the party they had fled from without seeing — were not Comanches, but white men in pursuit of the Comanches. Dave Pegg, Zally's father, was the leader, and Oscar's father was one of the number.

Rover, Oscar's wounded dog, had run home, and the arrow in his back told the worried family, more eloquently than words, what had become of the

missing pecan-gatherers. All the night Dave Pegg and Mr. Wheeler spent in their saddles, warning the colonists. And before morning nearly twenty men, mounted and fully armed, assembled at Mr. Wheeler's.

Daylight found them over on Bee Branch, where the boys were known to have gone. The baskets of nuts were soon discovered under the pecan tree. Close by lay the shaggy remains of fierce, faithful old Tonk, with the gaping spear-wound through him from side to side. Last of all, Zally's cap, lost while he was trying to dodge the Comanche, was picked up.

The party then took the Indian trail, and they had been following it ever since. Two hours after Zally and Oscar had fled from the Comanche camp the white party overtook the Comanches and attacked them furiously, killing three and chasing the others. They recovered the whole drove of stolen horses; but, to the disappointment of all, and to the deep grief of the two fathers, they had failed to find the captive boys.

It was surmised that the captives had either escaped or been put to death. So the party started back toward the settlements, very slowly, their riding horses being well used up. They were driving the stolen animals, and expected to scour the country on both sides of the trail for Zally and Oscar, if they were still alive, or for their bodies if they were dead.

As the two wanderers were making their way back toward the trail, it was very probable that they and the rescue party would soon have found each

other. But something occurred to prevent it.

After starting back, Zally and Oscar kept traveling all the rest of the day, but without discovering the trail. The sun was still, invisible, and they doubtless missed their course; though, if they did, they were both ignorant of the fact. Night was already near at hand, when they were alarmed by the noise of hoofs, like galloping horses, coming closer and closer.

The animals were probably wild horses; but so fearful were the wanderers of falling in with another band of Indians that they turned and fled in a panic.

As they dived into a narrow opening between some dense sumacthickets, in quest of a good hiding place, they almost stumbled upon several Indian warriors lying in the tall grass!

The Indians leaped up, with startled exclamations and drawn bows, and seemed as much surprised as were the white boys. Oscar uttered a cry of terror, and both he and Zally started to run. But the red men sprang upon them, seized them savagely and held them fast!

These were the survivors of the same band the boys had escaped from, the scar-faced warrior being among them. They were hiding — hiding from those hard-riding, straight-shooting Americans.

After one short day of freedom, Zally and Oscar were prisoners again.

For several minutes the fate of the two captives hung in the balance. Most of the Indians, enraged at the loss of their stolen horses, and remembering their dead companions, were clamorous for putting the white boys to death in the spot. First one and then another would flourish his scalping knife as if about to strike, or draw back his bow to shoot. Though the cowering, terrified captives understood not a word of the fierce wrangle, the tones and looks and gestures of the red men were more expressive than words — entirely too expressive to be misinterpreted.

The scar-faced warrior alone stood up boldly for the prisoners. As they had

yet to learn, he was no more friendly toward them than were his companions. But for some reason he claimed them as his property and wanted to save them alive to make slaves of them, and perhaps also to hold them for ransom.

were fierce against them. The quarrel grew more and more bitter until for a short time, it appeared that the Comanches must soon be fighting among themselves. But gradually their angry tones subsided, and the scar-faced One Indian seemed rather to side with the captives, but the remaining three

warrior had his way.

them. And they were also tied hard and fast with buckskin thongs, then thrown down in the grass. Each had his feet bound together, and his hands knotted Zally and Oscar were now searched, their pocket-knifes being taken from

together behind him.

anybody, began to squirm and wriggle and double himself up, in a determined effort to free his hands. But a vigorous punch from the blunt end All night long they were allowed to lie there. Soon after dark the Comanches, or most of them, went away. For a time it appeared that they had abandoned their helpless prisoners. Finally Zally, neither seeing nor hearing of a lance handle warned him that they still had at least one guard. That ended his attempts to escape.

Oscar scarcely moved after being thrown down. He was in black despair. To only listless replies when Zally spoke to him. Worn out with the day's exertions, he soon fell asleep, and slept most of the night. Zally also slept at him this was worse than if they had never had a taste of freedom. He returned

times, but was awake very often.

them. Though the white boys little suspected it, the band of armed colonists was camped but a few miles off. Emboldened by the darkness, the absent Indians may have been skulking around the camp, watching for an opportunity to get revenge or to steal back some of that herd of horses. In the latter, at least, they were unsuccessful; for about sunrise Zally saw three men come straggling back on foot. An hour later the fourth warrior returned to the rendezvous. He had probably remained out on some high point till he saw in night. When day dawned, Zally saw only the scar-faced warrior sitting near Four of the five Comanches doubtless remained away during the whole what direction the white men marched.

preparations to start. Two horses, which had been lariated among the The fugitive Indians had scattered before the white men, afterward coming After his return the five warriors held a consultation, eating their breakfast of dried buffalo meat at the same time. At its conclusion they made thickets, were now brought up. These, it soon became evident, were the only animals the Indians had left. Their other riding horses had either been killed in the fight or ridden to death or abandoned in the flight for life that followed.

gladly were they to stretch their cramped limbs. But not long were they to Zally and Oscar were now untied and permitted to get upon their feet. Very

remain free.

First, Oscar's right hand and Zally's left hand were tied together. Then one Oscar's. Two of the warriors now mounted one horse and two the other, leaving but one of their number on foot. Then the party started, the rear raw-hide rope was knotted around Zally's free wrist and another around

ndian on the other horse the rope that reached back to Oscar's wrist. The ndian on one horse holding the rope that was on Zally's wrist and the rear Comanche on foot walked behind the captives.

Away the little party marched, their faces turned toward the north vest once

The clouds had broken up some time during the night, without rain, and the sun was now shining. After several hours of rest and sleep the captives were feeling much better. They were together now, and could talk whenever they

"What's happened, do you think, Zally? What's become of the other three Indians and all the rest of their horses?" asked Oscar, in low tones.

"That's jist what I've been wonderin', ever since last night."

"Do you s'pose the three Indians took the horses and drove 'em off some

Comanches. Uv course I don't know nothin' about it; but my guess is the three missin' redskins kicked their last kicks some time yisterday." Comanche ain't nobody at all without his horse. And I guess these must be "No, they didn't - not bad they didn't! These red niggers wouldn't be footin' it and ridin' double unless they jist nachelly had to. Pap says a other way?"

"Who could have killed 'em, Zally, do you think?" Oscar wanted to know,

in awed tones.

"Well, it might ha' been other redskins - some tribe the Comanches has had a quarrel with. But ten chances to one it was white men - men from Austin's colony - our own folks."

Oscar was startled. "Then mightn't it have been white men we heard the

last time - the ones we didn't see?"

who it was! Uv course it is! Didn't we git skeered and play the fool big? It's Zally stopped short, turning around in his amazement. "That's jist exactly enough to make a feller -

Here the rope on his wrist jerked him off his feet and dragged him a step or

two, till he bounded up angrily.

"The low-down onery redskins! he exclaimed. "Wish somebody'd kill all the rest of 'em! They're jist a gang of red niggers - that's what they air! And if they fool with me I'll tell 'em so, right to their faces!"

"Don't, Zally!" pleaded Oscar. "Every time we move we make things

"It's little I keer how mad they git! The lazy, impident hulks! Why don't they crawl down from there and let their betters ride? If I hadn't promised vorse. Let's not make 'em mad."

please God. Satan never helps folks out of trouble — he only pushes 'em into it. But God can get us out, and maybe He will if we'll only behave ourselves." "No, don't curse, Zally," Oscar answered, wearily. "We're in trouble enough already. When you swear you please Satan, and when you don't you your mammy I wouldn't, I'd cuss'em straight up and down!"

"God don't expect so very much of me, I guess. I'm half Mexican, and I hain't never had no show," spoke up Zally, seeking, like some older people, to

"But you know it's wicked to swear, Zally. And God expects all of us not to

"I could cuss' em in Mexican. It ain't as wicked to cuss in Mexican talk as it do things when we know they're wicked."

is in American talk," argued crafty Zally.

angry if you swear. Then we'll never escape from the Indians. If God doesn't understands all the languages - one jist as well as another. You'll make God "Why, yes it is! Of course it is, Zally! There's no difference at all. God

"If I don't cuss anymore, will God git us away from these here redskins?" (I don't know for certain, but I think He will — I hope He will."

"Well, I'll try it a while. If it don't work, I can go to cussin' ag'in — as much

say. "Quitting for a little while won't please God. You've got to quit for good "No, no, Zally, that won't do - that won't do at all!" Oscar hastened to

horse-thieves all the balance of my days." take the hide off. But I'd a reap ruther do it than keep company with these anyhow, before so very long. I promised your mammy I would. It'll purty nigh announced, relinquishing his bad habit with a sigh. "I was goin' to quit Zally considered the matter. "Well, then' I'll quit for good and all," he

captives, while the warrior who had been walking climbed upon the horse. hour or two one of the mounted Indians got down and took his place behind the The party marched on at a steady gait, much of the time in silence. After an

another Indian had dismounted to relieve the warrior on foot, Zally was myself; but they ought to let you ride a piece before long." Oscar made no reply, and they tramped on in silence. But when at length "Guess it'll be our turn next," remarked Zally. "I ain't so overly tired

disposed to grumble.
"Wonder what they think we're made uv? We've been hoofin' it longer'n that feller, but narry time have they said ride to us!"

despondently. "I'm afraid our turn to ride will never come," answered Oscar,

keepin' us so close to 'em fur - so's we can ride when we git tard." change ag'in without invitin' us to climb up. That may be what they're "Oh, yes it will - uv course it will! The red fellers won't have the face to

walking was about to take his place on the horse, Zally's indignation boiled But when still another Indian had dismounted, and the one who had been

on a empty stummick to boot?" over. Stepping forward, he addressed the scar-faced warrior: 'Looky here, mister, do you think we've got iron laigs, me and Oscar? because we're white folks we can foot it all day long without gittin' tard? And When's our time comin' to ride? Jist tell me that, will you? Do you think

grinned a broad grin, then said something to his companions, who also The warrior looked down at the indignant little fellow curiously, and

### MIGRATIONS

Texas on August 14.

LaVerne Schmuckers moved from Searcy, Arkansas to Smiley Texas on August 14. David S. Borntragers moved from McRae, Arkansas to Smiley. LeRoy Bontragers moved from Searcy, Arkansas to Smiley

What's the use of talking to him?" asked Oscar, in low tones. "They can't understand a word you say. Don't you see they can't, Zally?

in the same order as before noon. asleep. They were kicked awake at length, and the march was taken up again eating, Oscar and Zally threw themselves down on the grass and quickly fell some dried buffalo meat and gave each of the captives a small piece. After next stop was at noon. Here they remained two or three hours. The Indians ate Zally dropped back, grumbling, and the little procession moved on. The

fellow-warriors. At every change Zally's soul burned with indignation. Every hour or so the walking Indian had to be relieved by some one of his horseback. But, like most good riders, they were sorry, awkward pedestrians. The Comanche Indians were very fine horsemen, almost living on

passle of red niggers does all the ridin?! he grumbled, sarcastically. 'Nice gang we've got into! Where white folks does all the footin' it and a

what he could discover. country was somewhat broken, and whenever the party passed near a high and captives prostrated themselves at the water's edge and drank. The point all would stop to rest except one Indian, who rode to the hilltop to see rather warm, and at every stream the mounted Indians got down, and red men The Comanches made no very long march this afternoon. The sun was

slowly back, without any additional horses, and with the two they were riding looking scarcely able to walk. began, soon leading out of sight. But nearly an hour later the warriors came of them. When the wild drove fled, with the thunder of many hoofs, the race two horses, galloped away toward the drove for the purpose of capturing some far away, the whole party came to a standstill. Then two of the warriors, on the About the middle of the afternoon, having sighted a drove of wild horses not

everybody walked, the horses being led. very soon be wholly afoot. So, during the rest of the afternoon's march, The Indians held a consultation, and doubtless realized that they might

him either to stand up of sit down, both were very weary and very glad to drop tree. The trees were small, and each prisoner's arms were left loose enough for against a tree; and his hands were drawn back and tied together behind the sure that the captives should not escape, each of them was placed with his back Half an hour before sunset the party went into camp for the night. To make

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Texas on August 14.

New York, July 29. Harry Troyers moved from Searcy, Arkansas to Prattsburg,

Joe C. Millers, his sister Susan and his mother also left here the 29th, bound for Paraguary, S. America.

Noah C. and Malinda (Troyer) Miller and family moved from

Ashland County, Ohio to Sugar Grove, Pennsylvania, August 27.

Joe L. Millers (Martha Shetler) and family of three moved to this settlement August 21st from Norwich bringing the total

one with a deer on his shoulder. A fire had already been kindled and the odor of Some of the Comanches now left the camp, hunting, and at dusk came back, broiling venison was soon wafted to the captives' nostrils. Before long the red men began to eat.

"Are you much hungry, Oscar?" inquired Zally. The two were fifteen or twenty steps from the campfire and less than a dozen feet apart.

"Yes, I'm almost starved. I wish they'd hurry and bring us something to

eat. That was such a little piece they gave me at noon."

"The ill-mannered niggers! Why don't they ask white people to eat first?" growled Zally, resentfully.

After the red men had finished their own supper, the scar-faced warrior came over to the captives with a piece of broiled meat. He did not untie their hands, but held the meat to their mouths for them to bite it. Back and forth he kept walking, from one to the other, till the meat was all gone. There was not enough, but he failed to bring them another piece. Though he did come back, later, to make sure that they were securely tied.

After the Indians had gone to sleep, near the fire, Zally began to work and tug at the thongs that bound his hands. For half an hour or longer he kept

busy; but at last he had to give it up.

"They've got me fastened too tight tonight. But I'll try ag'in tomorr' night, and every other night till I make it," he announced, hopefully.

could. Zaily fell asleep almost at once, but Oscar lay awake for an hour, reflecting on his unfortunate situation. At length weariness overcame him. Leaning back, each against his tree, they prepared to sleep as best they From time to time during the night both awoke, with aching arms. But they adjusted themselves as well as they could, and soon fell asleep again.

At last they were awakened by the campfire's crackling and by the voices

and movements of the Comanches.

He permitted them to wash at a little stream close by, then cut them some slices Now the scar-faced warrior came and released them, to their no small relief. of venison to broil. This time they were given enough.

same as on the day before, except that this morning there was only one Immediately after breakfast the day's march began. The order was the Comanche on each horse, while three were trudging along sourly in the rear. The traveling was not hard; for the captives seemed to stand it rather better than did the red men. Some time in the afternoon the party came to a wide trail leading toward the northeast. It had been made recently by the passage of a large number of horses. The Indians seemed much excited, and, after many exclamations, turned their course and followed the trail.

they wanted. After eating they made signs to their keeper that they were Now they increased their speed, traveling so fast that the captives had no easy time while keeping up. Not till dark was a halt made for the night. Oscar antelope, and from this the boys were allowed to cut and broil as much meat as and Zally remained free till bedtime. One of the Comanches had shot an thirsty, and he went with them to a stream, where they lay down and drank.

"Hope he won't tie us up tonight," whispered Oscar, after they had come back and were sitting near the fire.

"No trees around here for 'em to back us up ag'in."

There were, however, numerous scattering mesquite bushes, and the prisoners, lying on their backs, were soon made fast to these. Each had both and secured with rawhide ropes to seperate bushes Their positions, though less comfortable than could have been desired, were a great improvement on being trussed up against trees. Zally made another determined effort to free feet tied to one bush, while his hands were stretched out on each side of him himself, but only cut his wrists.

By daylight the party were on the march again. They were still following the trail and kept pushing on as fast as they could. Not long before noon they came to several smoldering camp-fires, which the Comanches examined very carefully. The examination seemed to please them, and they were soon

hurrying on again.

"Must be some of their own tribe ahead," remarked Oscar, as the two boys were tramping along as fast as they could.

"Yes, guess it is," answered Zally. "Good bunch of 'em, too, from the number of camp-fires they left. I'm mighty glad they've got a big caviyard of horses. Maybe we can all have a nag apiece to ride — if these red niggers don't run us to death ketchin' up with 'em. We're goin' to have a hard road to travel till we do ketch up."

He was right. There was no stopping to rest today. The Indians on horseback relieved the Indians on foot every hour or two, but the captives had

no relief.

"It's all walk, walk for us!" growled Zally, after one such brief halt.

'I'm getting half-way used to it," answered his companion. "I'm not as badly used up as I was this time the first day we walked."

"Well, I'm not so very tard of footin, it jist now; but I am mighty tard of taggin' along behind a gang of red niggers. We're gittin' lots of pratice, though. One of these fine nights we'll say 'Goodby, Mr. Redskinsl' and off we'll walk and leave 'em - if we cain't jump a horse or two."

noticed a Comanche pointing ahead. Looking, they made out a great drove of An hour and more before night, while crossing a high prairie ridge, the boys horses, with numerous mounted drivers, a few miles away. Just at dusk the little band overtook the large one, which was already in camp.

There were between a thousand and fifteen hundred head of horses in the drove and about seventy five warriors in charge of them.

"This big gang has been on a raid into the Mexican settlements some'ers, I guess," Zally said to Oscar. "Every horse in that caviyard was stole.

There were many friendly greetings as the newcomers entered the camp, and much powwowing afterwards. The captives themselves received no small share of curious attention.

going on around the camp-fires. The captives' guardian cut them some liberal-sized slices, which they thrust through with sticks and broiled. Not long after they had finished eating, he took them off to one side, stretched them out on their backs and tied them to bushes, as on the night before. Then Several buffaloes had been killed, and much meat-broiling was already he returned to the other Comanches.

All the Indians sat up till a late hour, perhaps narrating their adventures. They were still talking when the captives fell asleep.

the redskins turned me loose, don't believe I could walk a half a mile to save Zally made no attempt to escape. "I'm all played out tonight - all frazzled out," he declared, after the two boys had been tied down and left alone. "If my life. Never was so tard in all my born days."

"I know I never was," Oscar answered, drowsily.

the captives awoke. Their keeper soon came over and released them. Later he Both were soon asleep-sleeping the sleep of exhaustion. It was almost light, and the Indians were already up looking after their riding horses, when gave them their breakfast. Both were not a little embarrassed; for wherever they went they found themselves followed by many curious savage eyes.

The Comanches seemed in no great hurry to start this morning. They were had two ropes on his neck, with several Indians clinging to each rope. The At length several of the young warriors went out to the big herd and returned with two rearing, plunging horses, which they had just caught. Each horse horses struggled and fought furiously. Probably neither of them had ever had evidently in a rather pleasant humor, and kept powwowing about something. a rope around his neck before.

The Indians kept glancing from the horses to the captives, grinning broadly all the while, till it was easy to be seen that they connected the four in some

"What does it mean? What are they looking at us so much for, Zally?" whispered Oscar, in alarm.

Zally only shook his head at first. But presently the explanation flashed

upon him, and he said:

"They're goin' to make us ride them there cavortin' mustangs! That's what

the scalawags is up to!"

For a few moments Oscar was speechless with horror. As the full realization of what the Comanches were about to do came upon him, he turned to his companion tremblingly:

"Oh, Zally, I can't ride one of those brutes! I never rode horseback much till we came to Texas. I've never got on a wild horse in my life! What shall I do?"

"Do the best you can. Won't hurt much if you do git pitched off," the little nalf-Mexican had barely time to answer, when a Comanche seized him by the arm and dragged him toward one of the mustangs.

astride his back. The brute had almost ceased to struggle; nor did he move While several Indians held the animal fast, Zally was caught up and set now. Oscar, watching, felt a little more hopeful. Perhaps the horses were not so wild after all.

brought a piece of buffalo-hide rope and began to tie his feet together under the horse. Now for the first time the boy looked frightened. He made frantic signs that he did not want to be tied, but they went on tying him. Then he Having set Zally upon the animal, the Indians, talking noisily all the while,

"You red fools! What are you up to anyhow? Hain't you got no sense at all? kicked with all his might, exclaiming angrily:

him fast. Then the ropes were quickly taken from the mustang's neck. Zally's But, only laughing at his protest and struggles, they held him fast and tied hands were not tied; but there was neither rope nor bridle for him to hold, and nothing but the horse's mane to hold to. Do you want to break my neck?"

For a few moments the brute stood in his tracks, as if not realizing that he was free. Then he gave a terrific bound, bawling loudly, and began to buck with might and main. The savage spectators stood around, some shaking with laughter, some laughing aloud, and all plainly very much delighted.

together, and his back hum ped up to a peak, the mustang did such bucking as to the brute's back. Zally had been on wild horses before, though never on one The excitement was fast and furious. With head down and feet close one seldom sees even a wild horse do. But the little knot of a rider seemed glued

that bucked like this fellow.

The rope holding the boy's feet helped him to keep his place. But that was also his greatest danger. If he should be thrown, whether over the horse's head or off at one side, he must quickly be pawed or kicked to death.

always regained it. For ten minutes at least the contest between boy and brute went on, without a moment's pause. But at last the wild horse, realizing that the burden on his back was there to stay, stopped bucking as suddenly as he had begun, and galloped away toward the drove, the Indians opening to let Several times the young rider seemed about to lose his balance, but he him pass. Many approving cries followed Zally. These savages, themselves marvelous horsemen, could appreciate good riding.

At the edge of the drove the horse halted, and again tried to unseat his rider. This fit of bucking lasted only a minute or two; then the horse plunged in

among the other horses.

All this Oscar watched, shivering with fright. The second mustang was still being held, close by, and the boy realized that his time had come to pass through an ordeal similar to Zally's. He offered neither resistance nor protest when a Comanche grabbed him up to set him on the wild steer. Resistance, he realized well enough, would be worse than useless.

But as the savage swung the boy up, the horse gave a furious lunge, dragging several Indians with him, and began a terrific struggle to free himself. The struggle lasted a minute or two. The captive, seeing how much worse this horse was behaving than Zally's horse, believed that he would be harder to ride. And the boy realized that he could never stay on an animal that caught up Oscar, this time setting him astride the mustang. But before the youg rider's feet could be tied together, the horse began to lunge again. Now bucked like Zally's. He would soon be dangling lifeless under the horse. Presently the struggling brute was brought to a standstill. Again the Indian the savages ran back and let him go; but they clung to the ends of their ropes.

At the horse's first jump Oscar went up a foot or two, though he still clutched the mane with a death-grip. But the second jump shot him far upward and over the horse's head. He came down on top of two Comanches!

Shrieks of laughter and delighted yells greeted this fall. To the savage spectators it was fine sport. Oscar was not hurt. But for his fright he might have laughed with them.

swarthy-faced, half-naked onlookers. Not once had the horse given them time The matter was not ended, however. Again he was set on the horse, and again he described a semicircle over the horse's head. Three times more this to tie the boy on. Oscar, having fallen in the thick grass, was not even bruised; and he was beginning to think the whole matter a joke, rather than the was repeated, to the wild, noisy delight of the eighty long-haired, To be continued life-and-death affair he had taken it for.

### CROP AND WEATHER - Continued from page 23

good. Tomatoes and cucumbers are plentiful. Fruit of all kinds are available and quite staple in price as to a year ago.

There are still many reunions planned and also a number of

weddings scheduled for September.

Factories, or some, are rehiring "layed off" help as they are busier again.

### Kokomo, Indiana - Mrs. Ivan J. Gingerich

The first two weeks in August we had showers nearly every day which was good for the late planted corn. Some hay was damaged by rain though and tomato plants, too. It was usually very warm and humid when the sun was out in those two weeks. The last part we had more pleasant weather though it did get quite warm a few days.

### Allen County, Indiana - Mrs. John Schmucker

Had a lot of hot and humid weather and also quite a lot of rain. Yards and pastures look so green again. Our hottest was 89 degrees on the 27th and 28th. The morning of the 13th temperature was down to 58 degrees, then it warmed up and we had rain and hail.

### Daviess County, Indiana - Elizabeth Mae Raber

August was a warm month with 20 days of 90 degrees or more and quite a few days in high 90's and on August 9, it was 100 degrees. We had almost 4 inches of rain altho it was a little on the dry side at times, we had 1.5 inches of rain the 14th and 15th during the night. And another good rain on the 29th, of .9 inch.

Low temperature for the month was 53 degrees on the morning of the 24th.

### Lovington, Illinois - Henry R. Yoder

August was continuation of more hot weather but not as hot as the month of July and we also had more moisture. However the rains were still spotted but in this area the rains in August ranged from 3 to 11 inches.

Prospects for corn is predicted to be below average thru here. Soybeans are much the same way. The latter are turning brown and the leaves falling off.

Cattle and hog market haven't changed much thru August, demand is still strong for feeder pigs and calves.

The wooly bears or wooly worms, are most plentiful this year, they first came out black, then sorta orange or brown later, then towards last we see blonde and sometimes white. I wouldn't know what causes them to be so plentiful this year. God controls all things

### Marion, Kentucky - Joe Borntreger

The month of July went into history as the warmest month on record for this area. By all accounts the same is true of August. I have not heard a final report. It is also very dry, but old timers say it has been drier befre. We had about an inch of rain more or less for the month. The only rains were scattered showers.

Corn fields have dried up to different degrees before ripening. Fields in the lowlands show very little damage. Soybean prospects are poor. Where the fields do look near normal they say the pods are not filling well.

### Guthrie, Kentucky - Jesse D. Peachey

Weather remains dry and warm. No measurable rainfall since the 18th and then only .2. Around 2 inches in our area for the month of August. July was mostly dry along with temp. up to 108 in the shade. Mostly between 90-95 the last while.

Worms, bugs, and grasshoppers are chewing on soybean leaves. Some folks are spraying. Corn 2.45, beans 7.75.

### Ethridge, Tennessee - Moses J. Gingerich

August as a rule was very warm and dry with only a few light showers, some corn is on shock, quite a bit of silo filling is done, it is getting time to sow pasture and hay, but is to dry at present.

Feeder pigs and top hogs have really made a price increase in August.

### Marshfield, Missouri - Ruben Yoder

July was hot and dry. The first 3 weeks the temperature went to 100 or more almost every day with the highest being 114 degrees, till the 21st we had .2 inches of rain, some places up to 2 inches then it cooled off for 1 week, but the temperature was up to 110 again today. .3 inches of rain is all our gauge collected this month. 954

Due to the heat, the dry did more damage and the crops are burning up. All corn is going into the silo and lots of it without ears

Only irrigated gardens are doing anything peaches are small. Some hogs died because of the heat. Hogs prices are going up, but so is feed.

The weather remains warm and dry. The first 2 weeks we had 100 - 110 degrees everyday. The third week the temperature dropped 10 degrees and the humidity went up with scattered showers and sprinkle almost every day our gauge collected .6 inches, 4 to 5 miles away several good rains passed through. The last week was warmer again with no rain. Corn is all in the silo. Pastures are dried up and people are feeding hay. Gardens are gone unless they were irrigated.

### LaPlata, Missouri - Mrs. Mose M. Borntreger

July was an unusually dry and warm month. We got 1½ inches of rain the 2nd. ½ inches the 21st and a little shower the 26th. The first week it wasn't quite so warm with 78 degree temp. in the morning and around 80 to 94 degrees during the day. But the next 2 weeks we had a steady heat wave of 100 degrees or more. Some towns nearby had 108 to 110 degrees. It was quite a change and a relief the week of the 21st with 60 degree temp. readings in the mornings then to about 80 during the day. The last week was warmer Tues. and Wed. we had 106 degrees and 90 degrees yest. It is cloudy this morning and 75 degrees.

Gardens and pastures are nearly burned up.

Are feeding hay and I don't have the canning that summer usually brings us. The Lord knows what is best for us, maybe we won't need it.

The community started thrashing Monday p.m. and were done

by Friday evening.

105 on Aug. 1st. Since it has not been so warm, altho it was up to 100 degrees a few times. We had around 3 to 4 inches of rain throughout the month. The most to fall at once was 1 inch. Things have greened up considerably. These rains are a good benefit to late corn and the soy beans. Gardens have quit bearing. Tomatoes and green bean plants are blooming again. Hardly anyone got sweet corn to can only a little to eat. Some hay was being fed in the dry period.

### Seymour, Missouri [Webster County] - Menno D. Schwartz

Weather still dry, ponds going dry, some springs running weaker. But our hopes are for rain soon. We have a bigger pond, so don't go dry quite as quick.

Filling silo is going on, but not really filling the silos, there isn't enough to fill clear up. Most everybody feeding hay, grass not only dryed up, but ate up. It could be worse, because seems like we all got enough to eat.

The heat is still hard on fat hogs, makes them gain slower. Fat hogs hanging close to the .50 mark, roughs. (thats sows and boars) only 3 to 4 cents under top. So that must be slacking up. Cattle still good. Shelled corn 3.75 bu. delivered, which cuts into the profit. Feeder pigs a little off again this week. A 50 lb. pig no. 2 brought 71 per hundred.

Lots of dryed up ponds being cleaned and redug, some new ones made.

### LaPlata, Missouri - Mrs. Mose M. Borntreger

Our drought was broken the first week in August when we got 1½ inches of rain the 4th. It rained some every week except the last one we didn't get more than just a little shower and some of the community, didn't get that. Altogether we got around 9½ inches this month. We've had a lot of 80 and 90 degree weather, during the day but really cooled off nights, was 60 degrees in the early hours of the day, sure felt good.

Pastures are green again, garden crops look better again, with beans hanging on again and also blooming. Tomatoes haven't been very plentiful, but maybe they'll do better soon, too. Some alfalfa that has been sowed is coming up.

### Windsor, Missouri - Mrs. Monroe Hershberger

We ended up June with the 5 last days hitting 100 degrees temp. Then continuing into July - daytime, in the shade temperature stayed at 100 degrees to 110 every day but 2 days, until the 22nd. There on it stayed in the upper 80's and 90's the rest of the month and the 28th of July it dropped to 56 degrees in the morning. How comfortable.. We had only 1 inch of rain through July - divided into 4 showers, so our field crops and gardens suffered severly thru the month, and only those who irrigated got the summer

garden vegetables. It was reported that one day in July the highest temp. over all the United States, was at Columbia, Missouri (about 120 mile N.E. of here).

Our August weather record is a pleasant contrast of July. Rains began on August 4th, raining continually through the night and within 17 hours we had over 9 inches. More than 2 inches again the next day and now as of the 27th we've had 14 inches and over. Late field crops, as beans; pastures, lawns, fall gardens and our cane sorghum all look green and very promising. They say Windsor has had more rains this month, then any other town in Missouri. How grateful we are for moisture and cooler weather. We have had some 100 degree temperatures again though.

Our men have filled their silos already with their poor corn crop.

Both schools started the 25th.

Johnson County, Iowa - Eli S. Bontrager

We had  $4^{1/2}$  inches rain in the last  $2^{1/2}$  weeks so everything is green and pastures look good. Corn looks real good so far

Haven, Kansas [Reno County] - Mrs. E. E. Schrock

August has been a nice month, not as hot as June and July this year. Had some nice rains, pastures and lawns are green, cooler nights. Milo Maize and silo feed are getting to be a nice growth and people are harrowing to get seed beds ready for wheat planting next month. Last year we had a very dry fall so are glad for the moisture this fall.

Reno County, Kansas [Partridge area] - Edward A. Mast

Both the heat and drought were relieved the first part of the month. We still had a lot of summer days but not continuous over 100 degrees like July. Had a total of about 7½ inches rain which revived the row crops. Most of the mile is headed out now. Silage feeds doubled in length. Wheat ground is in good shape and some are starting to apply fertlizer.

Beebe, Arkansas - Lester F. Graber

July weather was hot and dry, not much rain till the last week, we had some showers. Every day brought us 100 degree plus temp. till the 17th when we got our first break, a layer of clouds, which was a great relief from the heat. Since then it has been cooler again, a high of 90's in the daytime, and cooling off more at night.

Late gardens are hurting to the extent that we are not getting much. Early gardens did good. But soybeans are also drying out, and may be half a crop. Rice is about our best crop this year.

But there is plenty of work around. The sawmill is still running, but not as fast as at one time. The others are doing carpentry work, and firewood cutting, which is not slowing down because of the recession.

August weather has been very warm, with frequent daytime temperatures of 100 degrees. We have had little rain in August to relieve the drought, but there have been scattered showers in places, during the month.

Bean crops look like many will not make it. Many fields have nice stalks, but when blooming, the flowers just fall off.

Trees are starting to turn and loosing their leaves, apparently from the heat and drought. This is much more apparent in killy country northwest of us, them here in the flatlands.

Woodcutting for next winter is in full swing. Quite a few people are engaged at this part time, anyway.

Bloomfield, Iowa [Davis County] - Mrs. Daniel D. Yoder

We had ample moisture during the month of August. Twice throughout the month we had 5 inches of rain and less at other times. Had some very warm and humid weather but not quite like several weeks in July. Also had some cool weather. The garden vegetables weren't quite so plentiful but believe most people got enough to can. Peaches were brought in from 7.50 to 9.00 bu. Oats yield averaged in 50 bu. per acre. Hay is a good crop this year. Some have put up 3rd cutting and expect a 4th. Some sells at 1.50 per bave in season due to the shortage in the south because of drought. Crops other wise look pretty good. By living on a U.S. highway many semi loads of hay have been seen passing this summer going south.

Buchanan County, Iowa - Joe A. Yoder

The month of August brought us over 9 inches of rain. A few days of 90 degree weather. Looks if very warm days of the season are past. Second cutting hay making did not fare so good on account of the rains and corn is well along and silo filling will be starting soon. First planting corn is dying off. Looks like a heavy

yield.

Utica, Minnesota - Atlee J. Shetler

For August we had from 10 to 12 inches of rain. Was hard to get the thrashing done as it rained every few days. Oats yielded fair and of good quality. Everything greened up real nice.

June and July were so dry so these rains sure helped the corn a

lot.

Vegetables were plentiful on an average. Also melons, and trees are also loaded with apples this year. Peaches are being trucked in at 8.00 and 8.50 per  $^{3}\!\!/_{4}$  bu.

Chetek, Wisconsin - Mrs. Henry Lehman

We had at least 13 days in the month of August that were rainy. We had fairly nice rains, mostly as we needed them. Around the middle of the month was alittle dry but not to the extend of crop damage through here. Around us it was dry and had some crop damage. We've had some cool and damp days throughout the month and again warm days. A few days the temp. went to 92 and also very humid. Very good gardens and everything seems to be plentiful.

Wilton, Wisconsin - Jacob Hochstetler

August was wet. Pastures greened up again after a dry July. Had around 15 inches of rain in August. Thrashing was delayed some from the rain. Most of thrashing is done now with fair yields, not much second crop hay made. Some 3rd cutting in bloom already. 2nd crop was short due to a dry July. Corn is starting to dent. So silo filling is about here.

Some buildings are being put up and also repairing.

Cashton, Wisconsin - Joe C. Borntreger

The weather for August can be described in one word, wet, we had between 15 and 20 inches of rain, in several heavy thunder showers, with some wind. Threshing and haying was done between showers, but most of grain was plenty tough.

Blair, Wisconsin - Mrs. Moses S. Miller

Our dry spell ended on August 4, when we had a very welcome rain. Since we have had rain mostly everyday. Thrashing was slow on account of damp and rainy weather.

Oats on sandy soil was light, but on heavy soil it yielded 75 and

78 bu. per acre.

Pastures and lawns are green again, where they had been brown and dry. Corn looks much better, also 2nd and 3rd cutting hay are better than most of 1st crop was.

Branch County, Michigan - Mrs. Noah Schwartz

August was very wet, humid and damp. We had rain almost every 2 days. Was very hard to get the thrashing done. The last week was dry and in the ninety degrees. Humid, damp and cloudy.

Lake side District, St. Marys, Ontario - Abe Hochstetler

August has been near normal, with less rain then our friends apparently experienced below the border. Grain is practically all harvested with good yields. Corn looks good. Beans are starting to turn yellow. Quite a few foggy mornings lately, but no rain to speak of since first part of month.

Chesley, Ontario - Jacob Hershberger

The month of August was a little on the dry side, only 1 inch of rain

The farmers are cutting grain and the early grain is being thrashed which is a very good crop and we are having ideal weather at present for harvest.

We had another 1/2 inch of rain on the 28th,

Wingham, Ontario - Barbara Gingerich

July has been quite rainy, with mostly warm sultry weather although some days were cool. This has been good for the corn which is nearly average to other years and has begun tasseling. Oats is ready to begin cutting.

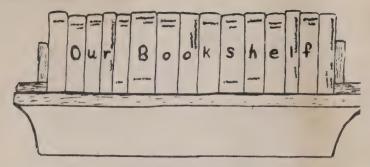
We had 2 severe thunder storms, one the night of the 7th, the

other the 20th, also during the night.

August was very hot and sultry. We had some rain the first week in August but was dry after that until the 28th to 31st we had 3 inches of rain. Oats is nearly all threshed and was a good crop with lots of straw.







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An Aged One sees the Lights of Home ahead

Art thou weary as you older grow? Loved ones gone, life's hope all fled? Look, beloved, there before thee Lights of Home Shine just Ahead.

As the traveler journeying homeward Sees afar the welcome light, Like a beacon set to guide him Thru the darkness of the night.

Tho' the way you now must journey Lonely is - so many gone -Trust the oneWho died to save you Through the desert leads you on.

Though your heart is oft times weary; Though your stumbling footsteps stray; He who loves you, lives to keep you, Guides you onward toward the Day.

Soon the journey will be over, His own vioce will bid you come! Rest and welcome shall enfold you Once within the realms of Home.

Home! Where loved ones fast are gathering, Home! Where all is joy and light! Home! Where doors are barred forever 'Gainstearth's sorrows and its night! EMT

### **COMMUNITY NOTES**

### Jamesport, Missouri - Boy Killed

Edward H. Detweiler, 15, was killed Saturday, September 20, while helping to construct a cement stave silo. He was working on ground to help get staves up, etc., when a cement stave fell down 42 feet, when one of workers was trying to get it in position, hitting Edward on the head, causing a skull fracture and broken neck. He died soon afterwards.

### Lancaster Co. - Senior Member dies

Jonathan Zook, 88, Lampeter Township, died on September 27, of a lengthy illness following a stroke which left certain glands paralized so that he was unable to eat and talk. For about eight years he was feed through tubes and was left speechless, which he endured with great patience. He was in general pleasant to his visitors and attended many church services during that time. See obit.

### Gap, Pa. - Senior Member dies

Rachel Beiler, 81, died after an illness of six months. She was a native of Leacock Township, Lancaster County. A daughter of the late Jonathan and Mary (Stoltzfus) King. She was the widow of Jacob Beiler, late residence, White Horse, Pa. See obit.

### Sugarcreek, Ohio - Senior Member dies

Peter E. Hershberger, 87, died at his home. Born in Holmes County, Ohio, he was a son of the late Emanuel P. and Sarah (Yoder) Hershberger. He was a retired farmer. A large family survives. See obit.

### Kokomo, Indiana - Senior Member dies

Sara B. Mast, 81, died at Millersburg, Indiana, at the home of her daughter, Fannie, Mrs. Calvin Yoder, on June 23.

A native of Nappanee, Indiana, she was a daughter of the late Benjamin and Lydia (Schmucker) Herschberger, was married to Henry N. Mast, on November 2, 1915. He preceded her in death on January 19, 1970.

### Hazelton, Iowa - Community Note

September 3, was the funeral of Minister Dannie and LeAnna U. Gingerich's little baby Sammie, around 3 weeks old, who had not been very well since birth. Mail will reach them at R.1, Hazelton.

### Lancaster County, Pa. - Taxi Driver killed while hauling Amish

On August 7, Reba Martin, 59, wife of Frank Martin, near Terre Hill took a van with several of the Bishop Levi E. Stoltzfus family and were enroute to a frolic at David Stoltzfoos's near New Providence, when a pickup truck hit them head on slightly more to the drivers side and killed Reba instantly, broken neck. Rebecca, age 60, wife of David S. Zook, near Amsterdam School, N. Groffdale is hospitalized in Osteopathic Hospital, Lancaster, with 6 broken ribs, a fractured hip, a broken leg and has a spleen removed, which was badly injured and was bleeding profusely. Her father, Bishop Levi E., suffered a broken rib, his wife Fannie, 81, a broken leg and wrist and Jacob E. Smucker sprained ligaments in the shoulder. The driver of the pickup was critical.

### Hazelton, Iowa - Barn Fire

Tuesday afternoon, 5:30 p. m. Levi B. Millers barn burned to the ground. They had made hay 6 weeks ago and had thrashed in there last week which is all a total loss. They were ready to get the cows in to milk when it broke out.

### Ashland, Ohio - Barn Fire

On the evening of the 10th, September the barn of David E. Shrocks burned to the ground, arson is suspected as sometime before they had seen some English boys around there after dark, they had better crops this year, than usual of which a lot of it burned, also 5 calves. The barn is being worked at to be rebuilt soon.

### Jackson Center, Pa. - Child Scalded by Applesauce

A three year old daughter of John A. Byler was burned with hot applesauce resulting second degree burns on her foot and third degree burns on a toe. High body temperature with 104 degrees fever besieged her. She is not allowed to walk on it.

### Sugarcreek, Ohio - Boy Falls out a Window

Javen, 3 year old, son of Eli and Celesta Raber, fell out of a second story window of their home on a cement walk. He was taken to Union Hospital then transferred to Aultman Hospital. He has a fractured skull. He was conscious part time. The doctor has some hopes for him now.

### Millersburg, Ohio - Boy drinks Kerosene

Willie, 1½ year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul M. Miller, #3 Millersburg, got to kerosene instead of a drink of water and had drank quite a bit. He was in the hospital for a few weeks and was a very sick boy. At times his temperature was up to 106 degrees. He is at home but not gaining like they would like to see it. He can not walk since this happened.

### Holmes County, Ohio - Community Note

Deacon Levi J. P. Troyer who had fallen off the barn roof is at home and is slowly recuperating. He goes to church and can walk with the aid of a walker.

### Clymer, New York - Man jumps off a Ladder

Enos Miller, age 27, was putting siding on house, he jumped off a ladder and jumped in a nail. Was in hospital a week with some kind of poisoning. Hasn't been able to walk since it happened 3 weeks ago.

### Cashton, Wisconsin - Community Note

Chris Hershbergers and Toby Miller left for Calexico, Mexico, but before they got that far, Mrs. Chris took sick and had an operation at Albuquerque, New Mexico, a grapefruit size syst was removed, it was ruptured, so they stayed there for 3 weeks, and by that time Tobias came home and stopped to visit Christ on their way home, Mrs. Toby broke her leg 2 years ago, but it failed to heal so she had a plate screwed to the bone, they now have good hopes that it will heal, as the Mexico Dr. said there was still some tissue between the bones that interferred with the healing, Mrs. Chris is also at home now and getting along good.

### **Ethridge, Tennessee - Community Notes**

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Enos A. Yoder was in the hospital for about 4 weeks, she weight 4 lbs. at birth and didn't gain very well.

Ammon, son of Mr. and Mrs. Moses J. Gingerich is nursing a sore toe from an ingrown toe nail that the toe nail was taken off.

Lizzie, daughter of Moses A. Yoders got a bone broken in her hand while drawing water from a well with a bucket when the crank got out of her grip, and she tried to catch it again.

### Hazelton, Iowa - Two boys hurt in Runaway

Dannie E. Gingerich's 2 small sons, Jake and Eli received rather rough treatment when they were in a horse and buggy runaway. One has a broken arm, the other needed stitches to close a gash in his head.

### Meyersdale, Pa. - Man injured by Colt

Joe A. Yoder had a rather unpleasant experience on Saturday morning, September 13, when a colt that they had hitched, I think to a wagon, and it did not want to back. reared up and hit Joe knocked him down and he was also knocked out for a bit, and in that time the colt hit Joe on his face with its foot and broke his jaw in 2 places. He was sent to the Johnstown Hospital to have it fixed. He will have to have it wired for 6 weeks. This happened on the 13th of September.

### Meno, Arkansas - Boy Injured in Accident

Arlie, son of Orval Kemp, had a serious accident on Tuesday when his horse crossed the highway and a small car coming up the hill hit him. Arlie has a serious break in his leg. He came home for a few days. He went to Fort Smith for more treatment.

### Millersburg, Ohio - Girl Hospitalized

Lizzie, 13 year old daughter of David J. Yoders, wasn't feeling good when she came home from school. She felt good enough to go to school again the next day, which was Friday, but kept getting worse till she couldn't walk on Monday morn. She could still sit in the car if she braced herself with her hads when they left home Monday a. m. They took her to a doctor in Berlin, but he felt he can't help her. So they went to Millersburg and from there they were sent to Akron Hospital. She couldn't sit alone anymore when

they left Millersburg. She is still in Akron Hospital and almost helpless. Can't even open or close her hands. The doctors couldn't find her trouble yet. They say they never had such a case before. Their address is Route 5, Millersburg, Ohio 44654, in case someone had a similar experience and would want to write to them.

### Dover, Delaware - Boy Falls From Roof

Simon, 18, son of Harvey D. Yoders fell from a roof, while carpentering. He broke his leg in 3 places, same leg was broken once before. He is in Kent General. Doctor says he will have to be in traction from 6 to 8 weeks.

### Apple Creek, Ohio - House Fire

Eli J. Millers, had a house fire, their kitchen, living room and porch was where most of the damage was done. So several of the neighbors spent Tuesday scrubbing dishes and the men tearing down plaster, and remodeling is on it's way. Some of the furniture is burned too much for repair, also some of Eli's good clothes. Eli is still in Akron Hospital with bad burns but recovering as well as can be expected at last reports.

### Juniata County, Pa. - Community Note

Druscilla Kanagy, 76, of Mifflintown #2, Pa., widow of Rufus P. Kanagy, had a stroke and is now bed fast. She had been barely able to walk before that because of dropsy. Her children take turns staying a day and night with her. She lives with her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Rachel Kanagy (widow) in the tenant house.

### Norwich, Ontario - Community Notes

Lizzie, wife of Dan E. Miller came home from the hospital on August 29, where she had been a patient since their fire on June

Uriah, son of Gideon L. Millers fell from the bed and broke his

Mose J. Miller had an operation for a ruptured ulcer, on September 25th.

### Centre County, Pa. - Community Note

On September 20, Enos King, 37, Rebersburg, slipped off the front of a wagon load of corn and a wheel rolled over his neck. After a hospital stay of about a day, he was discharged with no broken bones, but a very stiff and sore neck. He is up and around and doing a little light work.

### Hollow Rock, Tennessee - Community Note

Margaret, daughter of Eli A. Borntregers cut her foot on a piece of tin. It required several stitches to sew it up.

### Strasburg, Pa. - Man injured while Milking

Aaron's son Isaac (no last name included) was unloading the sputnic and released the lid before he released the pressure. The lid hit his forehead and made a gash in his forehead that required quite a few stitches, also had a fractured skull. He was in the hospital for 4 days. He is at home and is to take it easy. He is 8 years old. That should be a warning for other people, always release the pressure first.

### Hollow Rock, Tennessee - Community Notes

Susie, daughter of Samuel J. Masts, sprained her ankle, while helping play jump rope. She used crutches to get around with for several days, but was soon alright again.

Effie, 7 year old daughter of Eli A. Borntreger, cut her foot on a piece of tin. It required 6 or 7 stitches to sew it up.

### Bronson, Michigan - Community Note

Mary, daughter of Jacob and Malinda (Eicher) Brandenberger was to doctor. She had cut tension in leg from an accident, is coming along fine.

### Marshfield, Missouri - Community Note

Sunday, September 7th, was quite a disturbed day, first a horse stepped on the big toe of Joseph Stutzman, son of Herman Stutzman and tore it enough that he was taken to the doctor to get it sewed. Hermans were on a trip along with Alvin Grabers at the

Daniel Yoder was doing the chores for Alvin and during time of church services Alvin's horse that Daniel was using died because of founder. That caused Daniel to go into shock. That the doctor was called before services were over.

### Haven, Kansas - Community Notes

Tobe R. Schrocks had a public sale, September 25, selling all shop, carpenter tools, and implements, tractor, buggies, etc. They are both confined to their house not able to be out and going.

Harvey Wayne Bontragers had a runaway when horse shyed about a rattling semi-truck crossing railroad trucks about 1/4 mile from their home, the single tree broke so the horse went off with Harry holding onto the lines it dragged him off. They had an open buggy, Edith then jumped off into the ditch, broke her leg, was in the hospital a few days. She has her leg in cast above the knee. She is home again, address is R. 2 Haven, Kansas 67543.

### **BIRTHS**

### Lancaster, Pennsylvania

Beiler, Amos J. (Lizzie B. Petersheim) #2 Paradise, a son David P., Sept. 2

Beiler, David K. (Elsie Flaud) Ronks, a dau., Elsie Mae, Sept. 17 Beiler, Levi J. (Lydia Fisher) Bart, a dau. Sheryl Lynn, Sept. 10 Esh, Aaron F. (Anna Mary Lee) #1 Paradise, a dau. Sylvia Faye, Sept.

Esh, Emanuel K. (Katie S. King) Quarryville, a son Michael K., Sept.

Esh, Henry S. (Barbara B. Beiler) Bird-in-Hand, a son John B., Sept.

Fisher, Amos K. (Annie Zook) Quarryville, a dau. Mary M., Sept. 8

Fisher, Amos M. (Anna Mary Stoltzfus) #2 Strasburg, a dau. Katie, Sept. 24

Fisher, Amos S. (Naomi Fisher) Ronks, a son Ivan, Sept. 6

Fisher, Isaac K. (Rebecca Beiler) #2 Peach Bottom, a dau. Rebecca, Sept. 26

Fisher, John K. (Elizabeth Fisher) #1 Kinzers, a son Jonathan F., Aug. 10

Fisher, John L. (Emma Fisher) #1 Ronks, a dau. Barbara Jean, Aug. 8 Fisher, Stephen E. (Sarah E. King) #3 Quarryville, a dau. Sarah, Sept. 2

Fisher, Stephen F. (Fannie Blank) #1 Strasburg, a son Benuel, Sept.

Glick, John L. (Fannie Esh) #3 Quarryville, a dau. Sarah E., Sept. 22 Glick, Stephen R. (Rachel Beiler) Leola, a son Stephen, Sept. 1

King, Amos K. (Rachel Smucker) #1 Narvon, a dau. Rose Marie, Sept.

King, Benjamin S. (Barbara King) Ephrata, a son Daniei K., Sept. 6 King, Christ K. (Lizzie Lantz) Lancaster, a dau. Verna Mae, Sept. 28

King, Eli (Mary Miller) #1 Gordonville, a son David, Sept. 4

King, Jacob L. (Mary Stoltzfus) Gordonville, a son Benuel, Sept. 2 King, Simeon B. (Mary S. Smoker) #4 Quarryville, a son Simeon,

Sept. 4 Lantz, Elmer K. (Rebecca Stoltzfus) #1 Kinzers, a dau. Priscilla Suzanne, Sept. 18

Lapp, Alvin (Sally Beiler) Gordonville, a son Nathan, Aug. 31 Lapp, Amos (Annie Beiler) Lititz, a son, David B., Sept. 30

Lapp, Amos S. (Katie Zook) #1 Strasburg, a dau. Rebecca Z., Aug. 30

Lapp, Elam F. (Fannie K. Fisher) #4 Lititz, a son Emanuel F., Sept. 7 Lapp, John S. (Eva S. Lapp) #1 Strasburg, a son John L., Sept. 4

Miller, Ephraim K. (Emma Esh) Lancaster, a son, Sept. 1. Petersheim, Amos (Priscilla Stoltzfus) Gordonville, a dau. Naomi S.,

Sept. 29 Riehl, David E. (Emma Stoltzfus) #1 Narvon, a son John Freeman,

Sept. 12 Smucker, David (Rachel Kauffman) Gordonville, a dau. Mary K.,

Sept. 14 Smucker, Elmer B. (Fannie S. Fisher) #1 Narvon, a son Amos F.,

Sept. 4

Stoltzfus, Abram F. (Sadie Mae Stoltzfus) New Holland, a son Daniel **K.**, Aug. 3

Stoltzfus, David K. (Miriam Zook) #1 Gap, a dau. Sadie Mae, Sept. 10 Stoltzfus, David R. (Rebecca Stoltzfus) #1 Kirkwood, a son Stephen S., Sept. 9

Stoltzfus, Elam (Elizabeth Esch) Creek Hill Rd., Lancaster, a dau. Lena, Sept. 30

Stoltzfus, Elam K. (Mary Jane Stoltzfus) #1 Morgantown, a dau. Lea Marie, Sept. 9

Stoltzfus, Elam M. (Lydia Ann Stoltzfus) #1 Kinzers, a dau. Ruth S., Sept. 14 0 259 Stoltzfus, Eli B. (Annie Riehl) Ronks, a son, Stephen R., Sept. 27 Stoltzfus, Eli K. (Barbara Stoltzfus) #2 New Holland, a son Eli K. Jr., Sept. 8

Stoltzfus, Emanuel L. (Fannie King) #3 Quarryville, a dau. Miriam Ellen, Sept. 18

Stoltzfus, Isaac F. (Sarah A. Fisher) Gordonville, a son, Levi F., Aug. 31

Stoltzfus, Jacob S. (Martha B. Beiler) #1 Peach Bottom, a dau. Naomi B., Sept. 20

Stoltzfus, Jeff B. (Linda B. King) #1 Oxford, a dau. Rachel K., Sept. 14 Stoltzfus, John Jr. (Rachel King) #1 Ronks, a son, Sept. 30

Stoltzfus, Samuel S. (Annie K. Stoltzfus) Gordonville, a dau. Kathryn Renee, Sept. 13

Stoltzfus, Samuel S. (Annie K. Stoltzfoos) #2 Christiana, a son Amos, Sept. 27

Stoltzfus, Stephen (Nancy Smucker) #1 Kirkwood, a son **John**, Sept. 10

Zook, Aaron (Mattie Miller) #1 Strasburg, a son Aaron Jr., Sept. 18

### Conewango Valley, New York

Miller, Andy E. (Mattie Raber) a son Eli, Sept. 26 Miller, Eli I. (Barbara Miller) a son Atlee, Sept. 4 Miller, John D. (Anna Hostetler) a son Mosie, Sept. 12

Miller, Roy A. (Fannie Raber) a son Abe, Sept. 12

### Clinton County, [Sugar Valley] Pennsylvania

Esh, Ben M. (Lavina Stoltzfus) #2 Loganton, a son Isaac, Aug. 8 Fisher, Levi S. (Susie Glick) #1 Loganton, a son David, July 5 Fisher, Stephen S. (Rachel Esh) #1 Loganton, a dau. Rachel, Sept. 4

### Columbia County, Pennsylvania

Lapp, Amos E. (Rebecca Ebersol) Catawissa, a dau. Katie, Sept. 16

### Dauphin County, Pennsylvania

Stoltzfus, Amos (Linda Stoltzfus) #2 Millersburg, a son Stephen, Sept.

Zook, David (Barbara King) Star Route, Spring Glen, a son Samuel, Sept. 25

### Lebanon County, Pennsylvania

Lapp, Amos (Fannie Lantz) #2 Myerstown, a dau. Miriam, Aug. 28 Stoltzfus, David (Sara Fisher) #2 Myerstown, a son Reuben, Sept. 25

### St. Marys County, Maryland

Byler, John C. (Susie King) Mechanicsville, a son David, Sept. 13 Fisher, Isaac J. (Barbara Hostetler) Mechanicsville, a dau. Mary, Sept. 6

Fisher, John (Nancy Hertzler) Mechanicsville, a dau. Sarah, Sept. 29 Stoltzfus, Joseph S. (Susie Stoltzfus) Mechanicsville, a son Joseph E. Jr., Sept. 10

### Oakland, Maryland

Miller, Ray E. (Rachel Hostetler) a dau. Marlene Sue, Aug. 12 Petersheim, Fred D. (Amelia Yoder) a son Nathan Jay, July 28

### Dover, Delaware

Beachy, Herman D. (Susie Mast) #2 Dover, a son John, July 10 Byler, Crist Jr. (Anna Mary Byler) #2 Dover, a dau. Rose Mary, Sept.

Byler, David R. (Lydia Miller) #2 Dover, a dau. Susan, Sept. 8 Byler, Ervin A. (Susan Coblentz) #2 Dover, a son Marvin, Sept. 2

Byler, Sylvan M. (Emma Lena Nissley) Kenton, a son Matthew, Aug. 24

Detweiler, David H. (Barbara Miller) #2 Dover, a dau. Miriam, Sept. 18

Detweiler, Raymond T. (Elsie Beachy) Dover, a son Freeman, Aug. 24 Gingerich, Joe F. (Clara Byler) #2 Dover, a dau. Susanna, Aug. 28 King, Daniel Jr. (Martha Nissley) #2 Dover, a dau. Kathryn, July 6

Mast, Sam D. (Lena Miller) #2 Dover, a son, Vernon Daniel, July 9 Miller, Ammon A. (Sadie Miller) #1 Wyoming, a dau. Irene, July 31 Miller, Amos A. (Katie Mast) #2 Dover, twin daughters, Lydia Ann

and Katie Ann, Sept. 9 Miller, Eli W. (Alma Yoder) #5 Dover, a son Henry, Sept. 24

Miller, Harry Jr. (Alma Coblentz) #1 Wyoming, a dau. Mary Ann, Aug. 27

Miller, Raymond M. (Esther Byler) #2 Dover, a dau. Barbara, Aug. 11

Miller, Sam D. (Anna Byler) #1 Wyoming, a son Crist, Sept. 15 Miller, Sam E. (Edna Mast) #2 Dover, a son Monroe, Aug. 21

Troyer, Henry S. (Mary Byler) #1 Hartley, a dau. Clara, Aug. 11

Troyer, Roman A. (Matilda Miller) #2 Dover, a dau. Elsie, July 10

### McClure. [Snyder County] Pennsylvania

Hostetler, Joseph M. (Sarah K. Speicher) #1 Reedsville, a dau. Nancy Katie, Sept. 24

Yoder, John E. (Barbara Yoder) #2 McClure, a dau. Katie, Sept 27

### Mifflin County, Pennsylvania

Peachey, Ammon (Sarah Peachey) Belleville, a son Iddo, Sept. 24 Peachey, Enos (Sarah Swarey) Belleville, a dau. Sylvia, Sept. 27 Peachey, Leroy (Nannie Byler) Belleville, a son Melvin, Sept. 16 Peachey, Urie (Nancy Peachey) Belleville, a dau. Barbara, Sept. 17 Yoder, Kore (Anna Swarey) Belleville, a dau. Fannie, Sept. 22

### Clymer, New York

Burkholder, Jonas (Elden Yoder) a dau. Lena, Sept. 27 Byler, Jake C. (Betty Troyer) a dau. Sara, Sept. 13 Hostetler, John (Lizzie Byler) a son David, Sept. 20 Kaufman, Henry (Sara Yoder) a son Marvin, Aug. Miller, Enos (Nettie Byler) a dau. Dorothy, July Troyer, Eli (Ida Byler) a son Lester, Sept. 22 Yoder, Dan (Ada Miller) a dau. Lavina, Sept. 14

### Southern Snyder County, Pennsylvania

Troyer, Joas D. (Barbara Lee) a son Reuben, Sept. 5

### Juniata County, Pennsylvania

Peachey, Sam Jr. (Susie Troyer) #2 McAlesterville, a son Aden, Sept. 5

Wengerd, Urie A. (Esther Troyer) #2 Mifflintown, a dau. Laura, Sept. 3

### Gettysburg, Pennsylvania

Beiler, John A. Jr. (Fannie B. Fisher) #1 Gettysburg, a son Jesse J., Sept. 29

Beiler, Jonas M. (Gertrude N. Stoltzfus) #1 Littlestown, a son Daniel Jacob, Sept. 5

### Meyersdale, [Somerset County] Pennsylvania

Kinsinger, David R. (Effie Brenneman) Salisbury, a son Elmer, Sept. 3

### Mercer County, Pennsylvania

Hochstetler, Daniel J. (Cora Yoder) a son Enos, Sept. 10 Hochstetler, Harvey J. (Katie Byler) a dau. Lydia, Sept. 4 Hershberger, Andy M. (Sally Ann Yoder) a dau. Barbara, Sept. 25

### Southern Mercer County, Pennsylvania

Byler, Chris E. (Annie C. Byler) #2 New Wilmington, a dau. Mary, Sept. 17

Byler, Enos S. (Katie D. Mast) #2 New Wilmington, a sonLevi, Sept. Beiler, John D. (Esther J. Byler) #1 Volant, a sonJohn, Sept. 27

Byler, John R. (Sarah D. Hostetler) #1 New Wilmington, a son Alvin, Sept. 4

Byler, Levi J. (Emma A. Byler) #6 Mercer, a dau. Annie, Sept. 4 Byler, Urie J. (Emma J. Byler) #1 Volant, a dau. Sarah, Sept.

Byler, Wallie L. (Margaret A. Kurtz) #3 Volant, a son Andy, Sept. 19Kurtz, John D. (Leah J. Byler) #2 New Wilmington, a dau. Katie, Sept. 1

Yoder, Stephen J. (Annie J. Byler) #2 New Wilmington, a son Aaron, Aug. 16

### Geauga County, Ohio

Byler, Allen J. (Mary Byler) Winsor, a dau. Kathyern, Aug. 18 Byler, Andy A. (Mary Miller) Middlefield, a dau., Aug. 29

Byler, Mahlon J. C. (Mary Burkholder) Middlefield, a son Eli, Sept. 9

Byler, William (Etta Weaver) Middlefield, a son, Sept. 12

Detweiler, Marvin D. (Sara Jane Yoder) Middlefield, a son, Sept. 12 Detweiler, Mervin E. (Amanda Miller) Middlefield, a dau. Elvesta, Sept. 4

Detweiler, Milo (Mary Byler) W. Farmington, a son David.

Detweiler, Dan (Sarah Miller) Middlefield, a son Freeman

Detweiler, Rudy (Lydiann Troyer) Middlefield, a son

Gingerich, Robert T. (Susie Ann Detweiler) Middlefield, a dau., Sept. 11

Mast, Allen N. (Nancy Yoder) Middlefield, a dau. Ada, Sept. 11 Miller, Crist A. (Susan Miller) Burton, a dau. Laura, Aug. 28

Miller, John J. L. (Barbara) Middlefield, a dau.

Miller, Melbern E. (Elma S Hostetler) Middlefield, a son, Sept. 15

Miller, Raymond A. (Rachel Byler) Middlefield, a son, Aug. 20

Miller, Uria (Lydia Byler) Middlefield, a son, Aug. 28 Miller, Wm. J. L. (Barbara) Huntsburg, a son, Aug. 26 Weaver, Jake (Linda Byler) Middlefield, a son, Aug. 22

Wengerd, Nelson (Betty Yoder) Middlefield, a dau. Betty

Yoder, Andy A. (Betty Miller) Middlefield, a dau. Betty, Sept. 12 Yoder, Andrew (Mary Miller) Burton, a son, Sept. 19

### Wayne County, Ohio

Miller, Paul M. (Betty Hershberger) Apple Creek, a son Michael, Aug. 30

### Ashland County, Ohio

Keim, Ammon J. (Mattie A. Troyer) a son Leroy, Sept. 15 Mast, Marvin A. (Ella S. Miller) a dau. Wilma, Sept. 8 Yoder, Elmer H. (Mary Ann W. Keim) a dau. Esther, Sept. 20

### Frederickstown, Ohio

Beiler, Sam Z. (Lydia King) Frederickstown, a son Bennie, Sept. 7

### Holmes County, Ohio

Hershberger, Jonas V. (Mary Miller) #3 Millersburg, a son Paul, Sept. 19

Mast, Eli H. (Anna Erb) #1 Baltic, a dau. Lena, Sept. 8 Mast, John A. (Miriam Miller) a son Reuben, Sept. 17

Miller, Jacob S. (Esther Yoder) #5 Millersburg, a son Joseph, Sept. 6

Miller, Leon D. (Mary Miller) #4 Millersburg, a dau. Leah, Sept. 5 Miller, Paul H. (Emma) a son Robert, Aug. 14

Raber, Mr. and Mrs. Bert A., #1 Baltic, a son, Sept. 28

Raber, Roman D. (Naomi Keim) #1 Big Prairie, a dau. Rachel, Sept. 11

Troyer, David M. (Laura Miller) Star Route, a son Mose, Sept. Weaver, Ivan B. (Martha Miller) a dau. Mandy, Sept. 20

Wengerd, Wayne H. (Mary Miller), Dalton #2, a son Daniel, Sept. 19 Yoder, Abe L. (Betty A. Troyer) Mt. Hope, a dau. Sept. 8

Yoder, Mr. and Mrs. David E., #4 Millersburg, a son, Adrain, Sept. 17 Yoder, Mr. and Mrs. Dean A., #3 Millersburg, a son, Norman.

Yoder, Eli D. M. (Anna Yoder) #4 Millersburg, a son Raymond, Sept.

Yoder, Melvin A. (Edna Burkholder) a dau. Naomi, Sept. 11

### Adams County, Indiana

Christner, Levi C. (Martha E. Girod) Geneva, a son Nathan, Aug. 19 Eicher, Manuel M. (Verena L. Eicher) Geneva, a son Samuel, Sept. 9 Girod, Samuel B. (Mary J. R. Schwartz) Monroe, a son Raymond, July

Hilty, Amos E. (Maggie J. Graber) Geneva, twins, Ervin and Emma, Sept. 11

Hilty, Marvin L. (Martha L. Hilty) Berne, a dau. Dorothy, Sept. 18 Neuenschwander, Pete J. (Naomi J. Eicher) Geneva, a son Samuel, Aug.

Schmidt, Michial C. (Margaret F. Schwartz) Monroe, a son Emanuel, Sept. 14

Schwartz, David I. (Katherine Schwartz) Geneva, a dau. Katherine, July 31

Schwartz, Henry H. (Barbara Graber) Geneva, a son Joe, Sept. 19

Schwartz, John F. (Elizabeth Girod) Berne, a dau. Joan, Aug. 23 Schwartz, Leander M. (Emma Hilty) Monroe, a dau. Rosie, Aug. 22 Schwartz, Menno N. S. (Anna B. Schwartz) Monroe, a dau. Barbara,

Schwartz, Menno M. (Barbara Eicher) Geneva, a dau. Nancy, Sept. 1

Schwartz, Peter E. (Josephine E. Girod) Geneva, a sonStephan, Sept. Schwartz, Raymond N. (Emma J. Eicher) Geneva, a dau., Sept. 19

Shetler, Andrew J. (Sovilla K. Hilty) Monroe, a dau. Sarah, Sept. 8 Schwartz, Emanuel E. (Emma B. Girod) Willshire, a dau. Wilma, Sept. 23

Shetler, Levi A. (Esther J. Schwartz) Geneva, a son Levi, Sept. 11 Shetler, Samuel M. (Amanda N. Schwartz) Decatur, a dau. Susan, Sept. 2.

Wengerd, Danny (Anna L. Schwartz) Berne, a dau. Sovilla, Aug. 13

### LaGrange County, Indiana

Beechy, Marvin (Amanda Schrock) a son Lester M., Sept. 15

Bontrager, Chris H. (Mary Ruth Yoder) #1 Shipshewana, a son Leon Daniel, Sept.

Bontrager, Ervin (Lydia Troyer) LaGrange, a dau. Martha E., Sept. 3 Bontrager, William (Lettie Eash) LaGrange, a dau. Vera W., Aug. 28 Fry, Perry (Rosanna Beachy) #1 Topeka, a dau. Rosa Beth, Aug. 25 Gingerich, Ben (Linda Chupp) #1 Topeka, a dau. Deanna, Sept. 5

Graber, Alvin (Anna Hochstedler) #4 LaGrange, a son Timothy, Sept. 14

Helmuth, Owen (Irene Miller) #1 Topeka, a son Wayne, Sept. 12 Herschberger, Samuel (Leanna Schwek) #2 Topeka, a dau., Sept. 27 Hochstedler, Ira (Rosie Miller) Wolcottville, a dau. Susan, Sept. 5

Lambright, John H. (Erma Miller) LaGrange, a dau., Sept. 7 Lambright, LaVern (Esther Miller) #1 Topeka, a dau. Joel Lynn,

Sept. 4 Lehman, Floyd (Martha Miller) LaGrange, a dau. Lizzie, Aug. 26 David (Katherine Schwartz) Wolcottville, a son Crist Miller,

Eugene, Sept. 6 Miller, Eli (Ruby Bontrager) #2 Topeka, a dau. Rachel, Sept. 6

Miller, Elmer (Mary Hochstedler) #1 Shipshewana, a dau. Ida Anna,

Miller, Harley E. (Esther Miller) a son, Sept. 6

Miller, Harvey (Leanna Beechy) LaGrange, a dau. Mary Ellen, Sept. 16

Miller, Herman (Ella Hostetler) #1 Topeka, a son Leon Jay, Sept.

Miller, LaVern (Carolyn Bontrager) a dau. Doris, Sept.

Miller, Marion (Clara Miller) LaGrange, a son James, Sept. 7 Raber, Monroe (Naomi Mast) #1 Topeka, a dau. Erma, Sept. 12

Schlabach, Harley (Lavera Bontrager) #2 Shipshewana, a son Kevin

Schrock, Perry (Wilma Raber) #1 Topeka, a dau. Ella P., Aug. 25 Yoder, Ernest Jay (Mary Alice Hochstetler) a son Elmer Dean, Sept.

Yoder, Roman (Ruth Miller) #1 Topeka, a sonSteven Jay, Sept. 10 Yoder, Wilbur (Orpha Whetstone) Topeka, a son Marlin, Sept. 15

### Nappanee, Indiana

Bontrager, Joe (Verba Hochstetler) a dau. Jolene Dawn, Sept. 22 Borkholder, Owen E. (Carolyn Mullet) a son Own Eugene, July 31 Borkholder, Willis (Frieda Helmuth) a son Keith, Sept. 4 Burkholder, Mahlon (Marilyn Miller) a son Jonathan, Sept. 24 Hochstetler, Dale (Kathryn) a dau. Diane Faye, Aug. 31 Miller, Kenny (Mary Edna Miller) a dau. LuAnn Kay, Sept. 22 Miller, Melvin (Elizabeth Bontrager) a dau. Marilyn Sue, Sept. 18 Miller, Willard (Viola Borkholder) a son Own Lamar, Sept. 17 Slabaugh, Earl (Cathy Yoder) a son Jason Edward, Sept. 26 Slabaugh, Lyle (Barbara Frye) A dau. Maria Joan, Sept. 10

### Daviess County, Indiana

Graber, Alva (Fannie Mae Miller) Montgomery, a dau. Lois Ann, Sept. 6

Graber, Amos (Esther Wagler) Loogootee, a dau. Rachel, Sept. 9 Graber, Glen (Beulah Graber) Loogootee, a son John William, Sept. 3 Knepp, Glen (Mary Catherine Kemp) Montgomery, a dau. Barbara

Jean, Sept. 21

Knepp, Henry (Pauline Graber) Odon, a dau. Christina, Sept. 19 Kemp, Pete Jr. (Delilah Graber) Loogootee, a son Mathew, Sept. 4 Kemp, Raymond (Catherine Wagler) Montgomery, a sonMervin Dale,

Marner, Steve (Sylvia Knepp) Loogootee, a son John Harvey, Sept. 9 Stoll, Eugene (Mary Catherine Wagler) Montgomery, a son Merlin Wayne, Sept. 7

Wagler, Abraham (Dorothy Graber) Montgomery, a dau. Margie Sue,

Wagler, Eli (Leona Raber) Montgomery, a son Nathan, Aug. 27

### Arthur, Illinois

Chupp, Elva (Alta Hochstetler) a son Lavonne Jay, Sept. 15 Helmuth, Willard (Irene Miller) a son Steven, Sept. 17 Jess John (Viola Helmuth) a dau. Rosellen, Sept. 6 Kaufman, David (Anna Mae Schrock) a dau. Mary Kay, Sept. 25 Miller, Gary (Jane Gingerich) a son Jason, Sept. 18 Miller, Melvin Richard (Lydia Ann Mast) a dau. Leona, Sept. 8 Schlabach, Glen (Irene Diener) a dau. Mary Magdalena, Sept. 10 Schrock, Elva R. (Carol Ann Yoder) a dau. Denise Elaine, Sept. 12

### Guthrie, Kentucky

Byler, William (Erma Coblentz) #2 Guthrie, a son William David, Sept. 26

Miller, Joe (Ellen Yoder) #2 Guthrie, a son Marlin David, Sept. 6 Yoder, Leroy (Mary Weaver) #2 Guthrie, a dau. Martha Miriam, Sept.

### Ethridge, Tennessee

Gingerich, Moses J. (Ella Yoder) a dau. Katie, Sept. 21

Yoder, Amos A. (Lydia Stutzman) a dau. Lizzie, Sept.

Yoder, Enos A. (Mary Miller) a dau. Fannie, Sept. 1 Zook, Eli L. (Annie Gingerich) a son Jacob, Sept. 7

Audrian County, Missouri

Miller, Allen M. (Barbara Bontrager) Clark, a dau. Mary, Aug. 14 Miller, Ezra F. (Alma Borntrager) Clark, a dau. Wilma, Sept. 1 Miller, Joe Jr. (Fannie Borntreger) Clark, a dau. Millie, Sept. Miller, John Henry (Mary Bontrager) Clark, a dau. Mattie, Aug. 28 Yoder, Eli M. (Lydia Gingerich) Clark, a son Jakie, Aug. 30

Jamesport, Missouri

Beechy, Levi Jr. (Edna Mae Kauffman) a dau. Alma, Aug. 30 Gingerich, Monroe, A. (Elva Hostetler) a dau. Louise Fern, Sept. 26 Hostetler, Noah S. (Katherine Yoder) a dau. Rosanna, Sept. 20 Kurtz, Perry J. (Mary Kramer) a son Abe, Sept. 4 Petersheim, Joe Jr. (Edna Kramer) a dau. Lillian Sue, Sept. 19 Schrock, Elvon C. (Rosa Graber) a son Enos, Sept. 17

Pike County, Missouri

Borntrager, Noah (Esther Kemp) a son Ralph, Sept. 5 Eicher, Sammie (Sarah Burkholder) a son Chriss, Sept. 20 Schwartz, Levi (Martha Hershberger) a dau. Miriam, Aug. 12

Marshfield, Missouri

Hochstetler, Orva (Anna Mary Yoder) a son Norman, Aug. 31

Garnett, Kansas

Yoder. Edward T. (Carolyn Troyer) a son Nathan Eugene, Sept. 24 Yoder, Lester H. (Katie Miller) a dau. Rita Renee, Aug. 4

Johnson County, Iowa

Miller, Henry (Edna Mast) a son Samuel. Ropp, Elron (Arlene Yoder) a dau. Sept. 13. Ropp, Melvin (Lizzie Mast) a son **Delmar**, Sept. 21

**Buchanan County**, Iowa

Raber, Henry C. (Mary Yoder) Hazelton, a sonEli, Sept. 18 Yoder, Perry A. (Wilma Beechy) Fairbank, a son Raymond, Sept. 15

St. Charles, Minnesota

Shetler, Atlee Jr. (Lorene Borntrager) a son Aden, Sept. 4

Harmony, Minnesota

Hershberger, Enos D. (Katie Miller) a dau. Verna, Aug. 30 Zook, Dan P. (Verna Hershberger) a dau. Susan, Aug. 16

Wilton, Wisconsin

Kaufman, Noah (Ida Borntreger) a dau. Edna, Sept. 15 Mast, Daniel (Barbara Miller) a son Levi, Sept. 14 Miller, Levi (Lizzie Borntreger) a dau. Mary, July 26 Mullet, Harley (Lydia E. Borntreger) a dau. Sarah, Sept. 24

Cashton, Wisconsin

Keim, Albert (Edna Schmucker) a son Aden, Sept. 21 Kempf, Chris (Ida Yoder) a son Ben, Sept. 14 Kurtz, Eli (Maria Sommers) a son Jonas, Sept. 18

Amherst, Wisconsin

Borntrager, Felty (Lizzie Mast) a dau. Barbara Edna, Sept. 20 Yoder, John (Esther Yoder) a son Jesse, Sept. 3 Yoder, Levi (Sadie Mullet) a son Levi Jr., Aug. 18

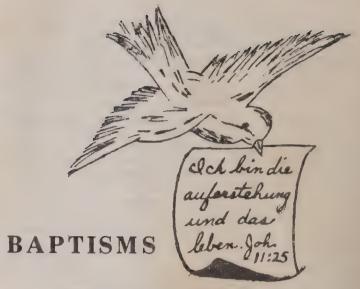
Wingham, Ontario, Canada

Gingerich, Edward (Rachel Hertzler) #2 Lucknow, a son Jonas, Sept.

Let me labor in His harvest More than ever in the past, Reaping in what He hast planted, Till I dwell with Him at last: That before His throne eternal I may have some fruit to bring,

Not my work - the fruit of Calvary, All His own, my Lord and King.

Author Unknown



Brush Valley [Centre County], Pennsylvania

East District

September 14, by Bishop Henry B. Stoltzfus Shem, son of Samuel and Sally (Byler) Swarey Mike, son of Christ J. and Fanny (Zook) Stoltzfus Reuben, son of Tobias and Fannie (Zook) Stoltzfus Timothy, son of Christ J. and Fanny (Zook) Stoltzfus Rebecca, daughter of Tobias and Fannie (Zook) Stoltzfus Susie, dau. of Melvin and Lizzie (Miller) Zook Fannie, daughter of Abner and Ruth (Fisher) King Rebecca, daughter of John D. and Arie (Esh) Beiler

West District

September 21, by Jacob M Stoltzfus Abram, son of Henry F. and Anna (Kauffman) Beiler Daniel, son of Omer and Fannie (Byler) Stoltzfus Abram, son of John and Annie (Stoltzfus) Fisher Mary Ann, daughter of Ammon and Sylvia (Glick) Miller Naomi, daughter of Sam J. and Annie (Miller) Stoltzfus Sadie, daughter of Eli and Mary (Glick) Beiler

Clinton County [Sugar Valley], Pennsylvania

September 14, by Isreal Beiler Jonas, son of Jonas and Fannie Zook Elias, son of Lydia Stoltzfus Levi, son of Jacob and Rebecca Esh Katie, daughter of John and Lydia Lapp Susie, daughter of Dan and Rebecca Esh Lydia, daughter of Lydia Stoltzfus

Nittany Valley, Pennsylvania

West End

September 14, by Jake Stoltzfus Henry, son of Pre. Adam and Nancy Byler Joel, son of Daniel and Sadie King Joe, son of Pre. Adam and Nancy Byler Emanuel, son of Dea. John and Sarah Esh Daniel, son of David and Susie Glick John, son of Samuel and Priscilla Stoltzfus Katie, daughter of David and Susie Glick Bena, daughter of David and Susie Glick

East End

September 21, by Bishop Henry Stoltzfus Jake, son of Pre. Eli and Annie Miller John, son of Daniel and Rebecca King Katie, daughter of Levi and Rachel Fisher Barbara, daughter of Daniel and Rebecca King Sylvia, daughter of Elmer D. and Lydia Stoltzfus

Montour County, Pennsylvania

By Samuel U. Stoltzfus Levi, son of John and Sadie (King) Zook John, son of Christ and Rebecca (Stoltzfus) Lapp Jeff, son of Jacob and Lydia (Zook) Stoltzfus Elam, son of Benuel and Arie (Smucker) Fisher

David, son of Christ and Rebecca (Stoltzfus) Lapp Fannie, daughter of Benuel and Fannie (Hertzler) Stoltzfus Sylvia, daughter of Samuel K. and Mary (Miller) Stoltzfus Katie, daughter of Amos and Priscilla (Zook) Beiler

### Dauphin County, Pennsylvania

September 6, by John F. Glick
Daniel, son of David and Susie Smucker
Sadie, daughter of David and Susie Smucker
This is the first baptism services held in the county

### Lebanon County, Pennsylvania

West District

August 31, by Isaac H. Zook

Samuel, son of Sam and Mary (Stoltzfus) Zook Elam, son of Reuben G. and Fannie (Zook) Stoltzfus Nancy Mae, daughter of Jacob K. and Annie (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus

East District

September 14, by Isaac H. Zook

Alvin, son of Christ and Emma (Fisher) Stoltzfus Eli, son of Amos and Lydia (Stoltzfus) Fisher David, son of Christ and Emma (Fisher) Stoltzfus Lizzie, daughter of David M. and Salome (King) Lapp Naomi, daughter of David and Malinda (Lantz) Peachey

### Lancaster County, Pennsylvania

North West Upper Millcreek—Jake King District September 21, by Bishop Levi E. Stoltzfus Samuel, son of Jacob and Sarah (Fisher) King Levi, son of Amos and Annie (Stoltzfus) Esh Rachel, daughter of Jacob and Sarah (Fisher) King Fannie, daughter of Daniel and Barbara (King) Glick

Amos L. Stoltzfus District

September 14, by Bishop Amos L. Stoltzfus Daniel, son of Benuel and Barbara King Ben, son of Benuel and Barbara King Christ, son of Dan and Barbara Glick Sam, son of Amos and Malinda Stoltzfus Sadie, daughter of Benuel and Barbara King Anna, daughter of Dan and Emma Stoltzfus Elizabeth, daughter of Dan and Emma Stoltzfus Katie, daughter of Dan and Barbara Glick Lizzie, daughter of Joe and Susie Glick Linda, daughter of Amos and Malinda Stoltzfus

David Blank District
September 21, by David Blank
David, son of David W. and Sarah Glick
John, son of Isaac and Marion Stoltzfus
Jonas, son of David W. and Sarah Glick
Amos, son of David and Malinda Blank
John, son of John and Lizzie Allgyer
John, son of Samuel and Sarah Yoder
Naomi, daughter of Isaac and Marion Stoltzfus

Levi Stoltzfus District September 14, by Levi Stoltzfus

Aaron, son of Aaron and Sadie Stoltzfus
Mervin, son of Omar and Sadie Stoltzfus
Jonas, son of Aaron and Sadie Stoltzfus
John, son of David and Rebecca Stoltzfus
John, son of Elam and Katie Zook
John, son of Jonas and Sarah King
Ada, daughter of Omar and Sadie Stoltzfus
Mary Grace, daughter of Aaron and Sadie Stoltzfus
Sarah, daughter of John and Rebecca Beiler
Katie, daughter of Christ and Anna King

Samuel Lapp District

September 21, by Bishop Samuel Lapp Bennie, son of Elam and Barbara King Stevie, son of Daniel and Annie King Abner, son of Jacob and Katie Stoltzfus Emanuel, son of David and Leah Lantz Stevie, son of Christ and Barbara King John, son of Samuel and Sarah Lapp Elam, son of Jacob and Malinda Smucker Daniel, son of Daniel and Annie King Naomi, daughter of Elam and Malinda King Emma, daughter of Jesse and Rebecca Stoltzfus Rachel, daughter of Christ and Barbara King Lizzie, daughter of John J. and Rebecca Beiler

North West Groffdale District
September 14 by Bishop Stephen U. Zook
John, son of John D. and Katie (Smucker) Stoltzfus
Benuel, son of Amos F. and Elizabeth (Lapp) Stoltzfus
Lydia, daughter of Leroy S. and Elizabeth (Beiler) Smucker

North East Groffdale District
September 21, by Bishop Stephen U. Zook
Elam, son of Elam F. and Sarah (Bawell) Huyard
Samuel, son of Stephen U. and Rachel (Stoltzfus) Zook
Emanuel, son of Emanuel and Katie (Esh) Lapp
Christian, son of Levi and Mary (Miller) Huyard
Emanuel, son of Elam F. and Sarah (Bawell) Huyard
John, son of Daniel B. and Rebecca (Glick) King
Annie, daughter of Levi and Mary (Miller) Huyard
Mary, daughter of Elam F. and Sarah (Bawell) Huyard
Rachel, daughter of Elam F. and Sarah (Bawell) Huyard
Rachel, daughter of Stephen U. and Rachel (Stoltzfus) Zook
Barbara, daughter of John J. and Barbara (Beiler) Lapp

Amos M. Stoltzfus District
September 14, by Bishop Amos M. Stoltzfus
Isaac, son of Ike and Emma Kauffman
Daniel E., son of John and Susie King
Abner, son of David and Ada King
Aaron J., son of John G. and Emma King
Ephraim J. son of (late) Abner and Mary Allgyer
Amos, son of Isaiah and Ariana Glick
Daniel, son of Enos and Mary Stoltzfus
Sadie, daughter of Abram and Mary King
Emma, daughter of Aaron and Annie King
Naomi, daughter of John G. and Emma King
Verna, daughter of Paul and Rachel Smucker

Southwest Groffdale District September 14, by Bishop John Stoltzfus Samuel, son of Isiah and Malinda (King) Ebersol John, son of Elias and Fannie (Blank) Beiler

Southeast Groffdale District
September 21, by Bishop Jonas Ebersol
Roy, son of Daniel and Dorothy (Beiler) Stoltzfus
David, son of Stephen L. (dec.) and Emma (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus
Levi, son of James and Katie (Fisher) Bawell
Levi, son of Stephen L. (dec.) and Emma (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus
Elizabeth, daughter of Daniel and Dorothy (Beiler) Stoltzfus

John M. Beiler District
September 21, by Bishop John M. Beiler
Levi Jr., son of Levi E. and Barbara (Beiler) Stoltzfus
Menno Z., son of Jacob B. and Lydia (Zehr) Beiler
Amos K., son of Jacob L. and Mary (King) Lapp
Emanuel B., son of Alvin K. and Mary (Beiler) Fisher
Rachel L., daughter of Amos E. and Rachel (Lapp) Fisher

Christ M. Fisher District
September 14, by Bishop Aaron Y. Beiler
Christ, son of Sam B. and Lydia (Fisher) King
Sylvan, son of Sam B. and Lydia (Fisher) King
Elam, son of Pre. Christ L. and Sarah (Lapp) Fisher
Isaac, son of Pre. Elam K. and Emma (Lapp) King
Eli, son of David L. and Rebecca (Stoltzfus) King
Leon, son of Pre. Christ L. and Sarah (Lapp) Fisher
Sadie, daughter of Elam S. and Rebecca (Esh) Beiler
Annie, daughter of Joe S. and Fannie (Kauffman) Lapp

Jonas Beiler District
September 14, by Bishop John M. Beiler
Reuben, son of Levi J. and Mary (Stoltzfus) Fisher
Melvin, son of Levi J. and Mary (Stoltzfus) Fisher
Andrew K., son of Samuel H. and Lydia (King) Beiler

Jonas Lapp District
September 14, by Bishop Jonas Lapp
Aaron Jr., son of Aaron S. and Rachel (Stoltzfus) Fisher
Elam, son of Pre. Benj F. and Annie (Fisher) Beiler

Anna Mary, daughter of Levi A. and Naomi (Lapp) Esh Rachel, daughter of Jacob M. and Sadie (Esh) Fisher Naomi, daughter of Jonathan A. and Katie (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus Katie, daughter of Bis. Jonas S. and Katie (King) Lapp Lizzie, daughter of Dea. John E. and Annie (Stoltzfus) Fisher

Pre. Joe Fisher District

September 21, by Bishop Jonas S. Lapp
Amos, son of Daniel S. and Elizabeth (Stoltzfus) Esh
Daniel Jr., son of Daniel F. and Rachel (Fisher) Stoltzfus
Emanuel, son of Daniel S. and Elizabeth (Stoltzfus) Esh
Elmer F., son of Dea. Daniel L. and Aarie (Fisher) Stoltzfus
Samuel F., son of Dea. Daniel L. and Arie (Fisher) Stoltzfus
Samuel G., son of Pre. Joseph S. and Elizabeth (Glick) Fisher
Rebecca, daughter of Daniel F. and Rachel (Fisher) Stoltzfus

Aaron Beiler District
September 21, by Bishop Aaron Beiler
Emanuel, son of Emanuel and Barbara Flaud
John, son of John and Rebecca Stoltzfus
Emma, daughter of Ephraim and Sylvia Stoltzfus

Aaron Esh District
September 14, by Bishop Aaron Esh
Melvin, son of Amos and Mary Fisher
Abram, son of Melvin and Lena King
John, son of Melvin and Lena King
Samuel, son of Benjamin and Naomi Stoltzfus
Aaron, son of Henry and Sarah Beiler
Ruth, daughter of Amos and Mary Fisher
Anna Mary, daughter of Levi and Sadie Lantz
Sadie, daughter of Melvin and Lena King
Rachel, daughter of Omar and Rebecca Fisher
Lydia, daughter of Levi and Lizzie Stoltzfus

Christ Riehl District
September 21, by Bishop Christ Riehl
Levi, son of Jacob (dec.) and Mary Beiler
Ephraim, son of John and Sarah Stoltzfus
Abram, son of Jacob and Rebecca Miller
Jacob, son of Christ and Mary Stoltzfus

Elam A. Beiler District
September 14, by Bishop Amos S. Lapp
Jonas, son of John and Arie (Esh) King
Christ, son of Jacob and Naomi (Beiler) Stoltzfus
Jonathan, son of Amos and Katie (Zook) Lapp
Katie, daughter of Elmer and Susie (Fisher) Fisher
Sadie, daughter of John and Arie (Esh) King
Ruth, daughter of Christ and Anna Mary (Glick) Miller
Naomi, daughter of Eli and Lydia (Miller) Ebersol
Susie, daughter of John and Rebecca (Fisher) Glick

Amos S. Lapp District
September 21, by Bishop Amos S. Lapp
Gideon, son of Noah and Katie (Stoltzfus) Lapp
Stevie, son of Jake and Barbara (Beiler) King
Mary, daughter of Daniel and Lydia (King) Lapp
Becky, daughter of Henry and Mary (Stoltzfus) Fisher
Emma, daughter of Jake and Barbara (Beiler) King

 $Intercourse-Enos\,Esh\,District$ September 14, by Bishop Enos Esh John G., son of Daniel and Rebecca (Glick) Esh David S., son of Elmer and Sarah (Stoltzfus) Fisher Benuel S., son of Amos and Anna (Stoltzfus) Fisher Daniel K., son of Jonas and Sarah (King) Esh Amos S., son of Isaac and Lydia (Smoker) Zook Daniel K., son of Stephen and Mary (King) Lantz Samuel K., son of Jacob and Katie (King) Esch Benuel B., son of Jonas and Lydia (Beiler) Smoker Simeon J., son Enos and Emma (Stoltzfus) Esh Barbara A., daughter of Amos and Anna (Stoltzfus) Fisher Mary Ann, daughter of Christian and Sarah (Stoltzfus) King Anna Mae, daughter of Samuel and Rachel (Lapp) Smoker Katie K., daughter of Stephen and Mary (King) Lantz Elizabeth S., daughter of Christian and Sarah (Stoltzfus) King Lizzie S., daughter of Benjamin and Malinda (Kauffman) Fisher Sylvia S., daughter of Amos and Mary (Stoltzfus) King Sadie K., daughter of Elam and Annie (King) Petersheim

Belmont—David E. Fisher District
September 7, by Bishop Enos Esh
Stephen L., son of David and Mary (Lapp) Esh
Elmer S., son of Samuel and Rebecca (Stoltzfus) Fisher
David F., son of Menno and Katie (Fisher) Stoltzfus
Barbara S., daughter of Amos and Malinda (Stoltzfus) Smoker
Salina C., daughter of Christian and Fannie (Beiler) Beiler
Sylvia G., daughter of Joseph and Katie (Glick) Lapp
Malinda G., daughter of Joseph and Katie (Glick) Lapp

Lower Pequea, Cattail District
September 21, by Bishop Jonathan King
Aaron, son of Eli S. and Mary F. (Beiler) Beiler
David, son of Emanuel and Malinda (Fisher) King
Samuel K., son of Pre. Aaron F. and Emma (King) King
Samuel Jr., son of Samuel and Naomi (Smucker) Esh
Melvin S., son of Emanuel B. and Verna (Stoltzfus) Zook
Alvin, son of Amos F. and Naomi (Fisher) Ebersol
Fannie K., daughter of Aaron F. and Emma (King) King
Sally Ann, daughter of Daniel B. and Ruth (Lantz) Zook

South Spring Garden District
September 14, by Bishop John F. Glick
Melvin A., son of Pre. John and Edna B. (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus
Amos E., son of Elmer S. and Amanda (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus
Amos F., son of Jacob K. (dec.) and Katie (Fisher) Blank
Samuel K., son of Levi S. and Elizabeth (King) Beiler
Lydia A., daughter of Levi S. and Elizabeth (King) Beiler

North Spring Garden—Gid Riehl District
September 21, by Bishop John F. Glick
Steven Ray, son of Christian and Rebecca A. (Stoltzfus) Yoder
Elmer S., son of John B. and Sarah L. (Stoltzfus) Zook
John Lee, son of Jonas F. and Lizzie (King) Beiler
Stevie K., son of Dea. Benuel and Elizabeth (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus
Ruth F., daughter of Jacob F. and Katie (Kauffman) Beiler
Marie, daughter of Tobias S. and Miriam (Beiler) King
Mary Ann, dau of Dea. Benuel F. and Elizabeth (Stoltz.) Stoltzfus
Emma, daughter of Isaac Z. and Miriam (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus

Lower Pequea, South White Horse—Samuel E. Stoltzfus Dist. September 21, by Gid King

Henry, son of Aaron E. (dec.) and Rebecca (King) Beiler Amos Z., son of David and Annie B. (Zook) (dec.) Ebersol John B., son of B. John and Lydia (Petersheim) Stoltzfus Amos S., son of Amos L. and Susie E. (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus Ida K., daughter of Aaron E. (dec.) and Rebecca (King) Beiler Elizabeth K., daughter of Aaron E. (dec.) and Rebecca Beiler Mary Ann, daughter of Jacob K. and Annie (Glick) Beiler

Mt. Vernon District September 21, by Bishop Amos L. Beiler

Levi Jr., son of Levi and Sadie (Esh) King
Daniel, son of Daniel and Susie (Smucker) Dienner
Susie, daughter of Daniel and Susie (Smucker) Dienner
Anna Mary, daughter of Levi and Sadie (King) Stoltzfus
Lydiann, daughter of Sol and Anna (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus
Elizabeth, daughter of Amos E. and Mary (dec.) (Fisher) Stoltzfus

Smyrna District
September 21, by Daniel S. Fisher
David, son of John M. and Savilla (Blank) Beiler
Elmer Jr., son of Elmer and Rebecca (Stoltzfus) Lantz
Samuel, son of Benj and Mary (Kauffman) Lantz
Mike, son of Amos and Leah (Lapp) Fisher
Eli, son of Emanuel and Katie (Beiler) Fisher
Abner, son of John and Barbara (Zook) King
Mary, daughter of Daniel and Rachel (Fisher) Fisher
Sadie, daughter of Amos and Leah (Lapp) Fisher

Amos L. Beiler District
September 14, by Bishop Amos L. Beiler
John, son of Christ Petersheim
John, son of Christ S. Miller
Elam, son of Elam H. Beiler
Melvin, son of Melvin R. Petersheim
Bennie, son of Leroy Stoltzfus
Naomi, daughter of Enos King
Esther, daughter of Stephen (dec.) and Sarah Esh

Barbara, daughter of Enos King Martha, daughter of Sam Zook Elizabeth, daughter of Ruben Fisher

Isreal Beiler District

September 21, by Bishop Isreal Beiler

David, son of Amos K. Glick
Samuel, son of Henry Beiler
Daniel, son of Enos King Jr.
Bennie, son of Henry Stoltzfus
Jonas, son of Jacob Miller
John, son of Jacob Fisher
Lizzie, daughter of Henry Beiler
Malinda, daughter of Enos King Jr.
Sarah, daughter of Isaar Piller
Nancy, daughter of Inos Stoltzfus
Becky, daughter of Henry Beiler

John S. Glick District

September 21, by Bishop John S. Glick

Samuel, son of Amos Esh Benuel, son of Isaac Stoltzfus Saul, son of Christ Zook Aaron, son of Moses B. Glick Aaron, son of Gideon Smucker David, son of Moses B. Glick Susie, daughter of Isaac Stoltzfus

Cream District

September 21, by Bishop Samuel S. Kauffman Henry Z., son of Daniel S. and Rebecca (Fisher) Stoltzfus Katie F., dau of Pre. Daniel S. and Rebecca (Fisher) Stoltzfus

North Mt. Pleasant District September 21, by Bishop Joel Zook

Jacob, son of Daniel F. and Barbara (Petersheim) King Jesse, son of widow Sadie (Esh) Fisher Sally, daughter of Samuel E. and Barbara (King) Fisher Anna Mary, daughter of Reuben S. and Lydia (Stoltzfus) Beiler Martha, daughter of widow Katie (Fisher) Stoltzfus Lizzie, daughter of Daniel F. and Barbara (Petersheim) King

South Mt. Pleasant District

September 14, by Bishop Joel Zook Jesse, son of Daniel F. and Hannah (Lapp) King Omar, son of John and Elizabeth (Glick) Esh Sarah, daughter of Aaron K. and Sylvia (Lapp) Esh Sarah Ann, daughter of Simon and Drucilla (Riehl) Stoltzfus

Ezra Beiler District

September 21, by Bishop Ezra Beiler John, son of Bennie S. and Katie (Stoltzfoos) Beiler Sammie, son of Malinda (King Stoltzfoos) Esch David, son of Jacob S. and Arie (Blank) Esch Amos, son of Pre. Samuel S. and Fannie (King) King Reuben, son of Dea. Jonas S. and Sarah (Blank) (dec.) Esch Ammon, son of Malinda (King Stoltzfoos) Esch David, son of Josiah and Sarah (Stoltzfus) Beiler Sammie, son of Mose and Lizzie (Stoltzfoos) Glick Elam, son of Elam and Rachel (Blank) Allgyer Levi, son of David and Sadie (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfoos Miriam, daughter of Bis. Ezra and Lizzie (Stoltzfoos) Beiler Fannie, daughter of Pre. Enos and Rachel (Fisher) Glick Miriam, daughter of Elmer and Lizzie (Blank) Zook Fannie, daughter of Jacob S. and Arie (Blank) Esch Mary, daughter of Bennie S. and Katie (Stoltzfoos) Beiler Lydia, daughter of Bis. Ezra and Lizzie (Stoltzfoos) Beiler Lavina, daughter of Dea. Jonas S. and Sarah (Blank) (dec.) Esch Mary, daughter of Jacob and Katie (Beiler) Beiler Emma, daughter of Mose and Lizzie (Stoltzfoos) Glick Katie, daughter of David and Sadie (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfoos

Henry L. Stoltzfus District

September 14, by Bishop Henry L. Stoltzfus Christie, son of Emanuel and Sarah (Zook) King Lavina, daughter of John K. and Rachel (Fisher) Stoltzfus Annie, daughter of Henry and Annie (Glick) Stoltzfus Rebecca, daughter of Levi and Sarah (Lapp) Stoltzfus

Benuel Esh District

September 21, by Bishop Henry L. Stoltzfus Moses, son of John and Fannie (Esh) King

Christie, son of Benjamin and Lydia (Beiler) King John, son of Benuel and Rebecca (Stoltzfus) Esh Jacob, son of Bennie and Sadie (Peachey) Swarey Barbara, daughter of Benuel and Rebecca (Stoltzfus) Esh Rachel, daughter of Joseph and Lydia (Fisher) Stoltzfus Miriam, daughter of Benjamin and Lydia (Beiler) King

### Oakland, Maryland

August 31, by Bishop Norman Schrock James, son of Joe and Tillie (Petersheim) Kauffman Abner, son of Joe and Bertha (Kinsinger) Zook

### Dover, Delaware

North District

August 17, by Bishop Leroy J. Yoder Melvin and Alvin, sons of Jonas and Lydia Hershberger Adam, son of Neal A. and Rosa Byler Freeman and Frieda, twins of Bishop Leroy and Mary Yoder

Ervin, son of Mahlon and Fannie Byler

Southwest District

August 17, by Bishop Andy H. Mast Norman, son of Freeman and Anna Mary Coblentz Leroy, son of Wm. and Laura Mae Miller Freeman, son of Bishop Andy and Sarah Mast Andy Jr., son of Andy and Lydia Miller Elmer Jr., son of Elmer and Mattie Coblentz Mary, daughter of Pre. David and Lizzie Schlabach

Middle North District

August 10, by Bishop Dan A. Yoder Henry, son of Eli H. and Mattie Miller Emma, daughter of Dan and Polly King Sadie, daughter of Bishop Dan and Malinda Yoder Laura Fern, daughter of Henry D. and Mary Ann Byler Barbara, daughter of Eli H. and Mattie Miller

Middle South District

August 17, by Bishop Dan A. Yoder
John, son of Manilius and Verna Miller
Henry, son of Pre. Sam H. and Dora Mast
Alvin, son of Pre. Henry E. and Mary Yoder
Ervin, son of David D. and Mary Miller
Rudy, son of Abner J. and Lena Miller
Nathaniel, son of Jacob N. and Mary Ann Miller
Enos, son of Pre. Simon N. and Mary Swartzentruber
Clara, daughter of Pre. Henry E. and Mary Yoder

South District

August 10, by Bishop Leroy J. Yoder Paul, son of Harry A. and Lizzie Miller Emma, daughter of John H. and Esther Miller

East District

August 10, by Bishop Truman Miller Bertha, granddau. of Andy A. and Katie Miller Esther, daughter of Bishop John J. and Lovina Yoder

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September 14, by Bishop John J. Yoder Norman, son of Eli N. and Barbara Swartzentruber Lydia, daughter of Adila N. and Amanda Mast

York County, Pennsylvania

September 14, by Bishop Ezra H. Beiler Jacob K., son of Andrew H. and Naomi S. Beiler Jacob, son of Widow Katie F. Zook Sarah, daughter of widow Katie F. Zook Linda, daughter of Amos A. and Leah Esh

### Perry County, Pennsylvania

September 14, by Bishop Amos E. King Paul, son of Phares and Arie Stoltzfus Martha, daughter of Gideon and Sadie Stoltzfus Rebecca, daughter of Gideon and Sadie Stoltzfus

### Mifflin County, Pennsylvania

West District

September 7, by Bishop Jacob Byler Mark, son of Jonathan and Mary (Yoder) Zook Sylvanus, son of Jacob and Esther (Byler) Peachey Rhoda, daughter of Jacob and Esther (Byler) Peachey Elsie, daughter of Rudy and Rebecca (Yoder) Byler

White Hall—Joshua Renno District
September 7, by Bishop Emanuel Peachey
Isreal, son of Israel B. and Katie (Peachey) Peachey
Stephen, son of David (dec.) and Rebecca (Zook) Swarey
Elsie, daughter of Isreal B. and Katie (Peachey) Peachey
Katie, daughter of Jacob and Nannie (Yoder) Byler

### Southern Snyder County, Pennsylvania

September 7 Simon S. Troyer Josephine Eicher Barbara D. Troyer

### Crawford County, Pennsylvania

August 10, by Bishop Menno Fisher Anna, daughter of Menno and Mary Fisher

### Mercer County, Pennsylvania

September 14, by Bishop William Mullet Dan, son of Dan J. Troyers Barbara, daughter of Neal Hochstetlers Ida, daughter of Rudy Troyers Betty, daughter of Andy Rabers

### Geauga County, Ohio

Hayes Corner District
September 21, by John J. C. Yoder
Andy, son of Andy and Katie Hostetler
Levi, son of Eli E. and Anna Miller
Barbara, daughter of Joe B. and Emma Weaver

Troy Northeast District
September 14, by John Detweiler
Sarah, daughter of Crist and Amanda Slabauch

Troy Northwest District September 14

Edna, daughter of Mose and Nancy Byler Nancy, daughter of John and Annie Smucker Barbara, daughter of Jonas and Barbara Hershberger Lydia, daughter of Raymond and Ada Miller

Parkman Northeast District September 14

Chester, son of Dan and Sarah Byler Erma, daughter of Melvin and Mary Miller Linda, daughter of Noah and Mattie Mast Sara, daughter of John Henry and Mary Ellen Mullet

Hayes Corner District September 14

Andy, son of Albert and Betty Miller Andy, son of John and Sadie Miller Jerry, son of Ervin and Lucy Miller

Mesopotamia Northeast District September 14

Melvin, son of Martin and Sarah Miller Melvin, son of Ervin and Sarah Miller Betty, daughter of Ervin and Ada Troyer Ruth, daughter of Ervin and Ada Troyer

Troy South District
September 21, by Bishop John U. Miller
William, son of Henry and Sadie Miller
Fannie, daughter of Jonas and Elmina Shrock
Elmina, daughter of Joe and Ada Miller
Laura, daughter of Bill and Ellen Detweiler

Burton Station District September 14

Marvin and Mary, twins of LeeRoy and Salome Miller

Parkman North District
September 21, by Eli Troyer
John, son of Allen and Lizzie Hershberger
Owen, son of Jonas and Martha Yoder
Fannie, daughter of Jonas and Martha Yoder
Emma, daughter of John and Emma Shrock

Middle field North Middle District September 21, by Bishop Harvey Kempf Paul, son of Dan and Mary Miller Ruth, daughter of Willard and Lydiann Slabauch Katie Ann, daughter of Eli Ed and Maryann Troyer

Farmington East District
September 14, by Bishop Harvey Kempf
David, son of Rudy and Katheryn Detweiler
Marvin, son of David and Lizzieann Troyer
Sarah, daughter of Sam and Nancy Kempf
Sarah, daughter of Mose and Rachel Wengerd
Ruth, daughter of Rudy and Katheryn Detweiler
Elvesta, daughter of Dan and Mary Byler

Middlefield West District September 7

Vernon, son of James and Martha Miller Willis, son of Daniel and Barbara Kauffman David, son of Lester and Mary Miller Sallie, daughter of Dan and Ada Marie Byler Linda, daughter of Freeman and Ida Byler

Farmington District
September 7, by Bishop Crist R. Hershberger
John, son of Levi and Elizabeth Miller
Clara, daughter of Levi and Elizabeth Miller
Martha, daughter of Eura and Sarah C. Miller

Middlefield Northeast District
September 14, by Bishop Jacob U. Ginerich
Harvey, son of Eli D. and Amanda Miller
Daniel, son of Eli D. and Amanda Miller
Eli, son of Eli D. and Amanda Miller
Robert, son of Eli A. and Fannie Miller
Esther, daughter of Melvin and Anna Yoder
Marie, daughter of Alvin and Sarah Erb

Middlefield Southwest District August 31

Eli, son of Eli E. and Fannie Troyer Sam, son of Eli E. and Fannie Troyer Elizabeth, daughter of Albert and Ada Miller Mary, daughter of John and Mary Ellen Mullet Laura, daughter of Norman and Lydiann Bender

Burton District

September 7, by Bishop Dan Wengerd John, son of John and Ada Gingerich Simeon, son of Simon and Katie Miller Susie, daughter of Simon and Katie Miller

John U. Miller District
September 14, by Eli S. Yoder
Melvin, son of Bill and Edna Byler
Levi, son of Wm. and Cora Byler
Dan Jr., son of Dan and Alma Miller
Viola, daughter of Mahlon and Sarah Byler
Susie, daughter of David and Lizzie Miller
Barbara, daughter of Albert and Sarah Miller

### Wayne County, Ohio

Maysville East District
September 25, by Bishop Aden Troyer
Reuben, son of Enos and Dora Weaver
Marvin, son of Alfred D. Miller
Steve, son of David and Clara Troyer
Reuben, son of Eli J. D. and Mary Miller
Monroe, son of Roy J. D. and Emma Miller
Steve, son of Jake D. and Emma Miller
Roy, son of Dan H. and Fannie Miller
Melvin, son of Effie and the late Paul E. Weaver

Orrville North West District September 7

Henry, son of Ezra and Fannie (Bowman) Wengerd

### Trumbull County, Ohio

Mesopotamia North—Eli J. Mullet District September 7, by Bishop Jonas N. Hershberger Robert, son of Mahlon and Ada (Frey) Fisher Jake, son of Val and Lizzie (Gingerich) Troyer Levi, son of Albert and Lizzie (Miller) Miller

### Holmes County, Ohio

Mahlon Hochstetler District August 24

Ervin J., son of John N. Yoder Marilyn, daughter of Roy J. Weaver Susie, daughter of Emery C. Weaver Annie, daughter of John N. Yoder Amanda, daughter of Levi J. Hershberger Miriam, daughter of Roy J. Weaver Barbara, daughter of David L. Troyer

Andy R. Miller District August 24

Marilyn, daughter of Pre. Henry Hershberger Miriam, daughter of John Miller Laura, daughter of Jonas Miller

William Troyer District Henry, son of Dea. Dan Miller Marie, daughter of Eli Burkholder Kathryn, daughter of Roman Keim

Mose E. Hershberger District August 30

Effie, daughter of Roman and Ada (Troyer) Schlabach Edna, daughter of Melvin and Susie (Miller) Raber

Dan J. D. Miller District August 30

Melvin, son of Emanuel and Fannie (Yoder) Yoder Attlee, son of Alvin and Ada Mae (Hershberger) Barkman

Andy E. Yoder District September 7

Katie, daughter of Andy E. and Laura (Miller) Yoder Freda, daughter of John J. and Maryann (Miller) Miller

Dan N. Yoder District September 14

Esther, daughter of Crist L. and Lucinda (Raber) Yoder Mabel, daughter of Emanuel and Fannie (Miller) Yoder

Melvin J. Miller District September 7

Miriam, daughter of Jacob and Mary (Miller) Miller Linda, daughter of Delbert and Elizabeth (Miller) Troyer Katie Mae, daughter of Marvin and Anna (Raber) Miller Alma, daughter of Amos and Ida (Schmucker) Yoder Verna, daughter of Attlee and Edna (Troyer) Miller

Andy N. Troyer District August 30

Reuben, son of Levi and Katie (Troyer) Yoder Andy, son of Abe and Edna (Miller) Yoder

Dan G. Yoder District September 7

Mose, son of Henry and Amanda (Miller) Miller Sarah, daughter of Eli and Fannie (Hershberger) Troyer Ada Mae, daughter of Mose L. and Dena (Hershberger) Troyer

Emanuel D. Miller District September 7

Glen, son of Emanuel and Mabel (Miller) Miller Levi, son of Dan B. and Fannie (Troyer) Troyer Junior, son of Henry and Anna (Miller) Mast

August 31, by Bishop Altee E. Troyer
Roy, son of Pete M. and Katie (Coblentz) Miller
David, son of Mike D. and Edna (Yoder) Miller
Bert, son of Levi A. and Ida (Miller) Stutzman
Leroy, son of Melvin and Anna (Schlabach) Kuhns
Allen, son of Jr. and Emma (Keim) Stutzman
Alma Sue, daughter of Dan L. and Fannie (Burkholder) Miller

September 7, by Bishop Andy E. Wengerd Dora, daughter of Mike O. and Anna (Miller) Yoder Orpha, daughter of Henry A. and Sarah (Miller) Burkholder

John J. C. Yoder District Atlee, son of Mr. and Mrs. Amos M. Yoder, #3 Millersburg Lizzie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Levi V. Raber, #3 Millersburg

David E. Yoder District by Bishop John J. C. Yoder Daniel, son of Mrs. and Mrs. Gideon B. Troyer Gideon, son of Min. and Mrs. Albert N. Yoder Jacob, son of Alvin A. Hershberger David, son of Alvin A. Hershberger Dennis, son of Minister and Mrs. Noah R. Miller Anna, daughter of David M. Yoders Verna, daughter of Mrs. and Mrs. Henry M. Hershberger

North East Barrs Mills District August 31, by Bishop Jonas N. Borntrager Raymond, son of Vernon A. and Freda (Troyer) Beachy Mary, daughter of Vernon A. and Freda (Troyer) Beachey

North West Barrs Mills District
September 7, by Abe A. Schlabach
Freeman, son of David A. and Amanda (Beachy) Troyer
Leroy, son of Eli D. and Mary (Yoder) Yoder
Anna, daughter of William H. and Esther (Mast) Troyer
Betty, daughter of Andrew E. and Lovina (Yoder) Mullet
Anna Mae, daughter of the late Ben and Dena (Miller) Eicher
Ada, daughter of Nelson V. and Anna (Wengerd) Miller
Freida, daughter of Albert E. and Mary (Raber) Shrock

### Fredericktown, Ohio

Milo Glick District
by Bishop Milo Glick, August 24
Ura, son of Elmer and Enda Yoder
Robert Jr., son of Robert and Sarah Yoder
Aaron, son of Milo and Elva Glick
Lewis, son of Elmer and Verna Brennaman
Aden, son of Eli and Annie Yoder
Edna, daughter of Elmer and Edna Yoder
Martha, daughter of Roy and Susand Miller

Chris Kauffman District August 31, by Chris Kauffman Esther, daughter of Emanuel and Edna Schrock Sarah, daughter of Atlee and Lizzie Miller Esther, daughter of Noah (dec.) and Sarah Miller

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Will A. Yoder District by Bishop Perry L. Bontrager David, son of Elmer Wengards Elsie, daughter of Ora Millers

Mose J. Mast District by Bishop Amos U. Miller Ida Mae, daughter of Melvin Rabers Frieda, daughter of Melvin Rabers

Elvie Frey District Martha, daughter of Elvie Freys Lovina Miller, daughter of Harley Millers

Menno N. Yoder District
by Lonnie Slabaugh of Nappanee
Richard, son of Felty Masts
Lovina, daughter of Raymond Slabaughs, Nappanee
Velda, daughter of Harley Yoders
Dorothy, daughter of Menno N. Yoders
Karen, daughter of Harley Yoders
Royane, daughter of LeRoy Millers

Clemence Miller District
by Bishop Alton E. Bontrager
Mary Lou, daughter of Jacob P. Millers
Ruby Frey, daughter of Joe Freys

Henry N. Miller District
William, son of Daniel Lehmans
Elsie, daughter of Sam Wingards
Katie Ann, daughter of Sam Bontrager

### Daviess County, Indiana

September 7, by Bishop Joe L. Graber Jonas, son of David and Corene Graber Amos, son of Joe Jr. and Margaret Lengacher Philip, son of John and Ida Mae Stoll Fannie, daughter of Ezra and Esther Graber Catherine, daughter of Willie and Susie Graber

Northeast District

September 14, by Bishop Joe L. Graber John, son of Howard and Fannie Wagler Dannie, son of Ralph and Katie Marner David, son of John and Elizabeth Graber Susie, daughter of Enos and Viola Wagler

September 14, by Bishop Ben E. Wagler Abraham, son of Herbert and Geneva Raber Raymond, son of Alva and Lydia Raber Bennie, son of Ben E. and Mary Wagler Norman, son of Mrs. Lydiann Wagler Martha Ann, daughter of Leroy and Mary Knepp Sharon, daughter of Leroy and Rosa Stoll

September 14, by Bishop Fred W. Knepp Joseph, son of Fred W. and Mary Knepp Jacob, son of Enos and Susie Knepp Harvey, son of Albert and Lydia Knepp Mervin, son of Willis and Nora Knepp Norman, son of Lester and Anna Catherine Wittmer

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Abe C. Gingerich District
Reuben, son of Oba and Anna Helmuth
Elva, son of Oba and Anna Helmuth
Louise, daughter of Jonas and Edna Herschberger

Henry A. Miller District
Homer, son of Levi H. and Lydia Miller
Lonnie, son of Ervin and Tillie Herschberger
Olen, son of Elvin L. and Anna Chupp

Amos D. Otto District
Loretta, daughter of Jonas and Dora Schrock
Irene, daughter of Jacob and Alta Chupp
Karen, daughter of Lester and Mary Ellen Lee
Melvin, son of Elmer and Nancy Otto
Willis, son of Dannie and Gertie Mast

Dan A. Miller District
Reuben, son of Ezra and Alma Plank
Carolyn, daughter of Morris and Katie Gingerich
Mary Esther, daughter of Ben N. and Lena Schrock
Christena, daughter of Jonas and Fanny Stutzman
Mary, daughter of Harvey and Sadie Plank
Viola, daughter of Dannie and Anna Mae Otto

Steve A. Kauffman District
Lucy, daughter of Andy and Minerva Bontreger
Treva, daughter of Jacob and Elmina Herschberger

David J. Beachy District
Susanna, daughter of Ervin and Mattie Yoder

### Guthrie, Kentucky

September 7, by Simon M. Yoder
Donald, son of widow Mattie (Hochstetler) Yoder
Simon, son of Robert and Susie (Weaver) Yoder
Julie, daughter of Samuel and Elvie (Glick) Gingerich
Betty, daughter of Melvin and Esther (Hochstetler) Hochstetler
Mabel, daughter of Ray and Emma (Mast) Schlabach
Donna, daughter of widow Mattie (Hochstetler) Yoder

### Marion, Kentucky

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### Ethridge, Tennessee

Middle District
by Bishop Eli J. Hostetler
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Andy, son of Noah A. and Katie (Hostetler) Yoder
Nancy, daughter of Nevon D. and Emma (Gingerich) Byler
Millie, daughter of Sammie J. and Lovina (Gingerich) Hostetler

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West District by Bishop Eli N. Stutzman

Andy, son of Gid A. and Amelia (Mast) Yoder Katie, daughter of Bishop Eli N. and Mary (Gingerich) Stutzman Iva, daughter of Eli M. and Salome (Troyer) Troyer

### Jamesport, Missouri

Middle, West and North CC Districts August 17

Raymond, son of John and Betty Kramer Ida, daughter of Mrs. Enos (Sarah) Bontrager Verna, daughter of John and Betty Kramer Erma, daughter of Menno M. and Ada Hostetler Tobie, son of Andy and Anna Gingerich Daniel, son of Levi J. and Anna Yoder Anna Mary, daughter of Monroe and Elva Gingerich

In South CC and Northwest Districts August 24

Freeman, son of Joe C. and Lydia Gingerich Freeman, son of Floyd and Sarah Miller Howard, son of Jonas and Mary Ann Yoder

East District September 7

William, son of Mose and Anna Mary Schrock Raymond, son of Mose and Anna Mary Schrock Ivan, son of Vernon J. and Mary Troyer Reuben, son of Vernon J. and Mary Troyer Lester, son of Levi H. and Helen Beechy Allen, son of Joe T. and Mattie Detweiler Polly, daughter of Levi S. and Irene Bontrager Verna, daughter of Raymond Lee and Lena Yutzy Magdalena, daughter of Dan and Arie Kauffman Vera, daughter of Lewis S. and Mary Kauffman

### Pike County, Missouri

August 29, by Bishop Jake J. Eicher Reuben, son of Enos and Fannie (Miller) Girod John, son of Will and Lydia (Martin) Yoder Esther, daughter of Felty and Barbara (Miller) Mast Ada, daughter of Henry and Rachel Bontrager Ann, daughter of Sam dn the late Anna (Borntrager) Borntrager

August 31, by Bishop Petie Burkholder Samuel, son of Eli and Barbara (Schwartz) Yoder Dannie, son of Dan and Mary (Whetstone) Eicher Esther, daughter of Rudy and Anna (Schwartz) Borntrager Rachel, daughter of Ura and Sadie (Lambright) Bontrager

September 7

William, son of Jacob W. C. and Saloma (Yoder) Eicher Lizzie, daughter of Willard and Katie (Eicher) Borntrager

September 21, by Bishop Jacob Miller Jerry and Perry, sons of Andy and Betty (Miller) Yoder Mary, daughter of Noah and Lena (Miller) Schwartz Emma, daughter of Moses and Wilma (Yoder) Schrock

### Reno County [Partridge area], Kansas

Stephan, son of Roman and Wilma Beachy William, son of Roman and Wilma Beachy David, son of Harley and Susie Beachy

### Johnson County, Iowa

September 28

Lindon, son of Mark and Gloria Miller Orvin, son of Edwin and Anna (Yoder) Ropp

### Amherst, Wisconsin

September 7, by Bishop Reuben Borntrager Mervin, son of William and Elsie Yoder Pauline, daughter of Elmer and Martha Yoder Edna, daugher of Reuben and Mary Borntrager Elsie, daughter of Emmon and Edna Schmucker Arlene, daughter of Monroe and Susie Yoder

### Love's Labour's Lost

### By Wilhem Lange

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At last she made it close to the top! Hurriedly she walked through the last wooded area and reached a hill, and now to her surprise she was above the tree tops and saw all those big green pines below her feet! She was so tired and so she sat down in the dewdamp grass. The fog still covered the valleys-only the summits of the mountains were set off drastically against the gray sky. The fresh air awoke Carmela's appetite. She took the piece of Polenta, out of her pocket and bit a piece off. A second piece she gave to Lampo, who also didn't have anything to eat for many hours, and who seemed to be very happy to get something now. Then remembering that this piece of Polenta was all she had along to eat, she put the rest of it back into her pocket. And above in the sky the sun came up and the clouds took on golden and red colors and it truly was a wonderful picture to

Many times Carmela had been up before daybreak but in the narrow valley of Isoletta the sunrise was alltogether very different from up herewhere your eyes could wander all over the earth! The simple gray of the sky started to take on all different colors—dark clouds now became tinted and lighter, and far to the east they became orange colored! The fog, which had covered the valley lifted slowly, rose up like a viel and revealed unknown beauties; now one could see the dark brown tree trunks and the green meadows and the few mountain cottages which were scattered here and there through the hills.

In the distance Carmela discovered a group of houses built close to a church and from where she stood they didn't seem to be larger then the painted little wooden houses the little children receive for a gift. Carmela kept looking and looking in that direction. Could it be that it was Riviera? But the illusion lasted only for a few seconds, quickly she recognized the churchsteeple as that from Isoletta. Her heart began to pound; surely her father. Grandmother and sister were awakening now and would call her name.

And suddenly while she was standing there, she was engulfed by a radiant light! It was the sun who just appeared between the two mountains. And with the sun, hope rose again in Carmela's heart and she had no doubt that she could go ahead and find Aunt Norina's village. She lingered another few minutes, stretched her limbs, and admired a mountain group called''Black Rock'' because the rock was of black color—she smiled at the little daisies, whose petals were still wet from the dew and who stretched their little heads straight up as if to listen to the song of the birds: Now Carmela started walking again repeating to herself the words of her aun Norina: ''Behind this mountain is a valley and behind

this valley rises another higher mountain, and behind that mountain lies Piviera.

She had climbed up the first mountain, so it was clear to her that she had to climb down the same one. And then? And this "then" started to stir up some doubts and uncertainties in the heart of the child; because beyond that valley several knolls and mountains raised their heads, so it was not easy to choose the right one.

She didn't want to linger and think about that problem too long, so she looked for a direction where it didn't seem too hard to descend from her mountaintop. In the beginning she didn't find it hard at all—but then the difficulties started. The slope was barren and dry—the ground uneven—and with every step Carmela took little rocks and stones became loose under her feet, and so she was sliding along on a slippery layer of sand and rocks. From time to time she had to get hold of some underbrush and thicket which made her hands to start bleeding and gave her big scratches. At one time she stood still and asked herself "Could this really be the way to Aunt Norina's house? Could this be the way Aunt Norina travels?

Lampo, whose big brown eyes already reflected the astonishment of the peculiar ominous pilcrimage of the child, also stopped, and with his sharp eyes and ears pointed seemed to look their position over. Then rushed away without stopping but looking back often to his little master; he ran to the right, he ran to the left till he had found a more easy path to travel. He came back to Carmela, and wouldn't leave her alone till she followed him; and now they could walk down a more easy path and slope to a clear mountain brook which seemed to hurry along between grass and stones.

The thirsty dog dipped his snout in and drank and drank. Carmela also bent down cupped her had and let the cool water run down her parched throat. The little brook stopped her from continuing her journey in the same way, so she had no choice but to wade through the brook. Quickly she took off her wooden shoes, lifted up the hem of her dress, and waded through the brook to the other side, even though the water came up to her knees. Lampo also jumped in and was ready to help her if it was necessary.

Now they took a rest again. The girl sat down on a mossy spot. The great tiredness, the shady spot and the murmur of the brook made her very sleepy; she could feel her head nodding to one side and so in order not to fall asleep she jumped up and started walking.

Again the ground was difficult to walk on, so Carmela walked hophazardly between pines and beechtrees. The sun was sending her rays through the leaves. Where was she? Did she come closer to her goal? or did she walk away from it? The thought that she might get lost in this immense forest took hold of her and made her shudder; if she only could see a cottage! She could knock on the door, or if she only would see or meet somebody who would take pity on her and would show her the right way! Here and there she saw the wood stocked up in piles, a sign that the woodsmen had been here. and remnants of some huts in which the woodsmen had slept when they had been out here for months to fell the trees, and many a black, burned tree

trunk told of the fires they had made in order for them to cook their dinner.

But the work in this part of the woods was finished already four weeks ago - and now the stillness reigned.

Carmela walked on kicking the pinecones and the many mushrooms which grew in the damp foliage, and she heard nothing but the humming of the insects swarming around her head and the whisper of the wind

way up in the crown of the trees.

Yet, after a while the forest grew thinner and Carmela found herself on the foot of a knoll, which because of the soft green and soft sloping seemed to invite her to climb it. When she had reached the top, a wide beautiful meadow opened up in front of her, and which got narrower without one noticing it and ended at the foot of a gray rock looking like a granitwall. Not one sign of a house or a path or something which the child could recognize! She didn't know where she was! Carmela was so tired that she couldn't realize the sorrowful situation in which she was in, anymore. She dropped down in the grass and fell asleep immediately. Lampo layed down beside her, dozing off from time to time, but mostly with eyes half open, ears listening, tail wagging, he watched over his little master, and never missing a noise or a movement.

Indeed, he didn't hesitate to wake up the little girl, who after rubbing eyes and stretching, saw a white cow, maybe hundred feet away, standing there and looking at her. Behind the white cow were 3 or 4 more cows and in the background a whole herd of cows came up the slope from the other side, and with slow steps and bells ringing, which were tied around their necks, they came closer to Carmela.

A young shepherd of about 12 years accompanied the herd and by his side was a big sheepdog, who left him sometimes when it was necessary to watch a cow who had strayed away too far from the rest of the herd.

When the big dog saw Lampo, he came running towards him, barking and snarling - but Lampo was not fainthearted and tried to hide-no he put himself in position, and with straight eyes, open nostrils, and straight standing tail—he kept the dog in a respectful distance. So the 2 animals stood about 20 feet apart, each one watching the other, and each one ready to win the battle.

Carmela had jumped up, was trembling all over her body, and would have fled, if the fear wouldn't have hold her fast. In the meanwhile the shepherd arrived, summoned by the loud barking of the dogs; as soon as he saw Carmela he called "Nero, Nero," again and again. The big dog obeyed, and Lampo too changed his position to a more friendly one. While the two rival dogs declared a truce in this way, the young shepherd appoached the girl and asked her from where she came and where she was going to.

Carmela told him in a voice, hardly perceivable, that she came from Isoletta and was on the way to Riviera, and she hoped to arrive there as soon as possible.

'Riviera!'' the young shepherd said while he tried to think his way about, "but you can't get to there from here!" "From where then?" the girl asked, first blushing and then growing pale.

The boy looked around as if he wanted to orientate

himself and then answered: "You must go down that mountain again on the same spot where you came up. Over there, right? And he pointed with his finger in the direction from where she came. "Yes." Then you will see a pine forest." "I came through that one!" "Good, now you go back again through it and when you come out of it, you turn to the left, the sunny side and you follow the run of the brook." "The brook with the clear fresh water?" "Yes, you must walk along the brook till you come to a waterfall; it takes about half an hour; It's a foaming waterfall that's why it's called: the Milkfall! "Nearby you will find a stony road which runs zig zag over the mountain; then all use that one when they come from Riviera to fetch wood from the forrest. But wait - and after a short silence he continued looking the child over from head to toe-to the village you need, "how long?" at least 3 hours."

Do you come from there?" asked the girl. "Me, no, I

am from Fresano, all together a different area.

Sadly Carmelas' head sank. "And why are you in such a hurry to get to Riviera?" the boy asked again. "I got to my Aunt Norina," answered Carmela, satisfied with her answer and explanation. "Hm," said the boy, "and so alone? Didn't anybody want to go with you?" Carmela was silent.

"Don't you have anybody anymore? No Father and no Mother?" "My Mama is dead."

"And the father I think, married again and your stepmother hates you. The same happened to me.

'Oh no,'' said the girl lifting her head with some kind of pride; "Father didn't get married again, he is very good to me."

Lampo, who apporached the shepherd in a friendly manner quickly returned to Carmelas side, when he heard a different tone in the young boy's voice; he was

ready to defend Carmela.

"Now, let's think of first things first," continued the good shepherd. "I am sure you are hungry." "I still have something," she said and pulled the last piece of Polenta (Cornbread) out of her dresspocket." Just leave it be, we will rather see if "Biese" wants to help us out." And with these words he reached a brown cow, who was grazing alone away from the others. He knelt down and milked the cow, he filled a wooden mug, which he carried always in his jacket. He returned triumphantly to Carmela and said "See here, don't you think this drink here is better than your polenta? Wait, we do it this way!" With this he took a big piece of bread out of his pocket, broke it in small pieces and dropped it in the milk. "Now look! Now it is a nice plate of soup! Here take it.'

Carmela didn't wait for him to say it twice. The mug was almost empty, when she noticed Lampo watching her with his big soft brown eyes; and wagging tail. "You poor animal," she called, "You are hungry too, aren't you?" She put the mug on the ground and let Lampo eat the rest. "What about you?"

"Oh," he answered smiling, "I eat when your friend

here is finished."

Regretfully Carmela looked at Lampo; "Please don't take it to heart" said the good boy, "Biese gives me as much milk as I want, and I have another one, down there, with the big horns."

"Those cows belong to your father?" The boy started to laugh. "Oh, I wished to God it was so, no, they belong to a very rich and big man, he lives in the city. Hardly once a year he comes to our area. He owns lots of land and lots of cows; these here are nothing." The boy stood up and gazed up into the sky; "Look, there is a little cloud.'

"Will it rain:" asked Carmela scared. "No I don't believe so" said the friendly boy, while he shielded his eyes with his hands, and followed the moving of the clouds. "No, I thing it will hold at least till tonight."

"Now I quickly must run along," said the girl and

started to walk away.

"Why, you are limping" called the boy. The girled pulled one little foot out of her wooden shoe and held it in her hand. "Don't you see that your foot is all sore and bloody? How can you walk on like that?"

Carmela didn't answer. "How old are you?"

"Eight years."

"And already you are such a blockhead!"

"I must go to Aunt Norina!"

"So wait here for a moment."

The little shepherd ran quickly to a dip in the ground which Carmela could not see from where she stood. From there he returned with open jacket and a white shirt over his arm.

"What did you do?" asked the girl.

"I took off my shirt!.

"Why?"

"You will see," he pulled out his pocket knife, cut a few strips off his shirt, and asked Carmela to sit down. She did so, and with great care he bandaged both pretty little feet, and with pride in his voice he said:" Now try and see if your feet still will fit into your wooden shoes!" "Sure," she said after she had tried.

He clapped his hands for joy and said: "So, now run once," Carmela made a few steps and delightedly she called "Oh, how good I teel now." "Really?" "Yes, thank you, but you ruined your shirt!" "Oh, that is nothing " "And at home, when somebody asks you where are the missing pieces, what do you answer?" "So I say I lost them." The girl laughed. "What is your name?" the boy asked. "Carmela." "A pretty name." "And you?" "I? Vittorio. And your dog?" "Lampo." "Look, both of them became good friends already." "But now they have to part." "Farewell, Vittorio." "Farewell, Carmela, no wait." "Now, what do you want." "Oh, I almost forgot; take this cane. You can lean on it. But now you have to leave if you do not want to be late.'

Both children walked into two different directions. Vittorio walked towards his herd, Carmela walked towards the brook. On top of the hill she turned and waved once more to Vittorio.

To be continued

## The Anabaptists

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CONTINUED FROM LAST MONTH.

Chapter 11

Hilla started out with hasty steps along the path that Frederick had found yesterday and today. But when she reached the marshy pool which had stopped the young man both times, she lifted her skirts and stepped into the brown water where it looked deepest. There must have been stones there, for she crossed it easily and safely. On the other side there were ditches between the reed-bordered pools and the elevations of the ground and they frequently came to a sudden end so that no one would have guessed the existence of a continuous path. The girl walked along rapidly over the ground, through the ditches, between the marshes. Her manner somewhat resembled that of an animal in flight. In little more than an hour she covered a path that took her several mile from the hill, northwest into the higher moor. Whenever she reached open places and left the trenches she looked around with anxious suspense but with sure, sharp vision and approached closer and closer to a stretch of the heat' that sparkled in the west in the glow of the late sunset.

That seemed to be her goal. With a deep sigh of relief and a rapidly beating heart, she stopped on the first meadow. The heath dropped between two ridges of the high moor like a valley. A scanty evergreen grove bordered it to the north. On the moor were the huts built of twigs and peat, from which smoke was swirling. From the lower ground one saw a gateway and the roof of a small farmyard, the ruins of an ancient stone structure which had been made habitable with the peat of the moor and with roofs of straw and reeds.

Hilla's coming disturbed no one in his work. Some men and women were harvesting a field with sickles. a girl of Hilla's age whom she met in the gateway was taking milk to the workers. She greeted Hilla with a friendly nod, and looked up in amazement when Hilla asked quickly and almost trembling: "Where is Father Bernhard?"

"In his room. What's the matter with you?" replied the girl, whose face showed almost the identical shy, fearful look as Frederick had seen on Hilla's.

Without answering Hilla disappeared in the main house of the farmyard, which was built on the ground floor of the former stone house. Her step resounded through the living room, at the side of which a sort of door artfully constructed of reeds and rushes separated a smaller room from the large one. Behind it a gray-haired man, his face lined with furrow upon furrow, whose strength seemed to have been broken by age and sickness, looked up at the girl. His gloomy, deeply suffering face lighted ap at Hilla's appearing. A shadow of a smile hovered around his thin lips. He put his withered trembling hand into the girl's.

Around his body hung a long garment of material and color like the clothing worn by Hilla and all the inhabitants of the lonely heath. He had risen from his furcovered seat which, together with a board that served as a table and held a few books, constituted the only furnishings of the room. On the gray masonry wall hung a remarkable decoration: a heavy gold chain with a roughly minted coin on which a keen eye could distinguish the date 1534.

A Bible the old man was holding on his knees slid to the seat as Hilla entered. He was about to pick it up. But when he became aware of the girl's excitement and saw the light in her eyes never seen before, he forgot everything else.

"What has happened to you, my child? What has

made you come home, Hilla?"

"I have escaped death, Father Bernhard," said Hilla, shuddering at the recollection. "Against your warning I had gone to the linden hill at noon. I found it empty and thought I could rest there without being seen. But I had barely settled in the moss when the young rider coming from the moor, who followed me yesterday, suddenly appeared before me, and this time I did not escape. He let me go after he had spoken to me."

"And what did you tell him, child...? The old man did not complete his question for he seemed to shudder at his own question.

"Nothing. Nothing but that my name is Hilla. I would sooner let myself be killed than betray you. He does not know the road I took, and he was kind and gracious to me!"

The old man's look rested on the youthful figure. Filla hung her head, big tears rolled from her dark eyes, and she sobbed convulsively.

The old man understood the feeling that was overpowering the girl. She seated herself at his feet and looked up at him as if seeking comfort. But his

expression was even more pained than hers.

"God punishes us most severely in the pain of those we love," he murmured—I would ten thousand times rather take on myself the death that I estaped if I could open the ages of life to all of you, especially to you, Hilla, my child! This situation that makes you suffer for sins in which you had no part must end! But if you do go out, defenseless and helpless, it will surely be your ruin! Will you see the young horseman again, does he want to see you again, Hilla?"

"Never, never in the world!" cried the girl. "Not a step will I ever again take away from you, Father Bernhard. But I am going to tell Detlev today and for the last time that he may no longer court me. I do not want to be the wife of any man. No child of mine shall dig his cave on heath and moor and flee the sight of men."

Each of her words visibly agitated the old man. He struggled to reply, but only vague unintelligible sounds of woe came from his lips. But before the old man regained control over his feelings, footsteps again resounded through the living room, this time masculine. A red-faced young man of disheveled appearance

in face and costume, bearing on n.s person evidence of his work on the moor, stepped into the small bare room. He greeted the old man and the girl.

"Peace be with you, Father Bernhard! Peace be with you, Hilla! I bring bad news. An hour ago Henry Steffen, the shepherd of the moor farmer out along the Ems, came to us on the heath, where we are trying to cultivate a new field. His master sent him to warn us that troopers are roaming the countryside, that our crimes have not yet been forgotten, and that we must seek refuge wherever we can! The soldiers are encamping on the Moorhof, others have gone north, and the shepherd seemed to think they will not leave very soon."

"Where are we to find refuge?" asked Hilla. "If this desolate place no longer protects us, where shall we

flee?'

"We are not going to flee," said the young man with defiant determination. "They will have difficulty finding us, and if they come along the water from the Moorhof, they will never find us. Even Henry, the shepherd, did not see the Friesenhof again and after many hours only got as far as our field on the heath. But if they should come anyway, the moor can swallow up many of them."

The young man's bright eyes shone with foreboding fire, but the old man, who had listened to his message

with composure, gave him a chastening look.

"Don't burden your souls with murder, keep yourselves unspotted by the sins of our ancestors! Hide if worst comes to worst. You know the place. Take all our equipment there. It would of course be better if your misery and this life in solitude were at an end! If Franz von Waldeck, who was Bishop of Munster forty years ago, were still living, I would say, "Go to him, Detley, stand before him and tell him that one of the men who once destroyed Munster, who fought him and Christianity escaped his revenge and is still living. Tell him the tongs that tore Jan van Leyden and Knipperdolling could be heated again for the one whose tongue was the first urge revolt, whose words have cast thousands in misery-for Bernhard Rothmann." Upon hearing that, I can assure you, he would not harm a single hair of yours."

### Chapter 12

The old man sank back on his bench wearily. Detlev had listened to him with brooding silence while Hilla tried to support the exhausted man, who was staring into space.

"Don't listen to him," she whispered to the young man. "To us he has been a father. Without his counsel and encouragement our fathers and mothers would have died here in misery! When he is no longer alive, a day will no doubt come when we will flee from here and, God willing, be able to begin a new life."

"That is your dream, Hilla. Only you want to go out into the world," Detlev interrupted her gloomily. "You alone, since you have been refusing to marry me according to Bernhard's wishes and our custom. You

are looking out beyond our sanctuary here!"

The girl struggled visibly not to burst out laughing at the word "sanctuary." She turned away from the angry youth and did not answer until she had regained her composure.

"None of you wants to be always banished, harassed, and rejected people. Neither do I. As long as we are here, things will remain just as they are today. Even if there are no horsemen out on the hunt for us, we will still be called Anabaptists and all the people round about will be afraid of us! The blind man on the Moorhof has done us a good deed by warning us of the danger. But we will never sit by his fire nor he at ours!"

"I don't need your thanks," replied the girl. "I have refused it in the name of God because I feel that our misery is to end some day. Come now, Detley, Father Bernhard will be angry at us because of our miserable quarrel! Let's go out and look after whatever has to be done!"

Controlling her excitement, so that Detlev would have no suspicion of what she had just confided to the old man, she strode out, forcing Detlev to follow her. He seemed to have a number of things to say to her and followed her in ill-humor. Together they went into the farmyard.

Between the peat walls a group of the moor's inhabitants had already gathered - men and women of mature years, only one boy, and the girl that Hilla had met. All were busily loading implements and some scanty furniture on a sledge. All showed anxious haste and from time to time looked searchingly out over the blossoming heather and the desolateness of the marsh. When Detlev and Hilla joined them they greeted them and went on busily doing their work. Then they left to hide the most valuable possessions in the pits they had dug in the low spots of the high moor. It was apparently not the first time they had had to perform this task of worry and fear.

Late in the evening red clouds surrounded the setting sun, while the rest of the horizon seemed suffused with the pale green haze that precedes the twilight. Not one of those who were dragging the sledge over heather and peat mounds looked toward the bright western sky. All eyes were fixed on the dark edge of the moor toward the east from which danger was to be expected. They exchanged only a few short words. The men seemed to hope their farm and fields would elude the roaming

'Unless we are betrayed by one of the few outside people who know of us," said Detlev, as they reached the pits at nightfall," we will surely have done all this work for nothing. The farm's location is wonderfully hidden. Our fathers managed that well!"

"They had reason to!" answered an older man, and the deep sigh that followed these words told Hilla that hers was not the only heavy heart. She worked with strenuous effort, trying to think only of the present moment and to forget her experience at noon. But in vain. Whenever the men spoke of the spies, the persecuters who were threatening them, she thought of the young horsemen who had allowed her to escape. She worked like the others, not a word crossed her lips that might have betrayed her secret to them.

They finished their task in total darkness and were perparing to return to their lonely farm. For the night, Detley and two other men assumed the night watch and Hilla wanted to join them. But the young man roughly refused her wish: "We are not going out into the world, Hilla we are staying on the moor! You may keep watch in the farmyard if you can't sleep."

The girl grimacing with disappointment left silently. She was thinking of the old man who might be needing her and went with the rest. But, more than once, she turned back to watch the figures striding eastward over

As the night progressed, a feeling of depressing anxiety kept growing stronger in her; she felt she had to call back the men who had disappeared in the darkness, or that she must hurry after them. The secret she was harboring lay like a crushing burden on her spirit.

And in addition she felt that she was losing her self-control. More and more immobile, more and more involuntarily her vision fixed itself on the place where, miles away, the Ems Valley lay. She saw the river and trees, the walls and rooftops clearly before her - walls and roofs she had never seen; like shadows the plains of the heath, the high moor, glided past her vision and suddenly she recognized herself. With a pale face, with untidy undone hair in her brown garment she was seated on a strong gray horse, the young cavalryman behind her supporting her.

They were not riding out into the world. She saw horse and rider and herself trotting toward the isolated farm from which shone a single, half-concealed torchlight. And as her eyes bored harder and harder into the darkness, she saw the old man was coming to meet her and the horseman and helped them dismount while she was in reality only making her way to the gate among the other homecomers. Then her strength failed her and with a loud outcry she collapsed on the heath. The women surrounded her in pity, but she, sitting up quickly, looked once more, trembling, toward the farmyard. The single light shone near the ground, the gate was open, but there was no one in the yard. The vision vanished, and Hilla was standing humiliated among the women who were still bombarding her with questions.

### Chapter 13

She had to accept their rebuke for heing more fearful than they, and made no reply. When she reached the yard she peered through the window of the old man's room. The other girl listened with her.

"Father Bernhard is sleeping quietly, Else," said Hilla quickly and determinedly. "You may stay with him. I cannot bear being on the farm tonight; I must go to those who are guarding us. Detlev shall not drive me back again. I must go!'

And before Else or any of the women could raise an objection she drew her scanty garment closer around her shoulders and hurried back over the heath through the night breeze out into the darkness, with speed and sureness following the track of the men who had, a while ago, parted from them and disappeared eastward.

When Hilla disappeared in the trench near the green elevation at noon Frederick managed not to watch her. He was dumofounded by the unusual meeting which he had previously so eagerly sought. The sun was low on the horizon when he finally arose from the mass between the lindens to start out on his return to the

Moorhof, where he would find his comrades. He was violently overtaken with fear of the coming hour. If one of his horsemen, if Nicholas and Kurt had found evidence that there were huts hidden on the moor, what would happen? He did not know what to do or not do. But of one thing he was certain - not one hair of the unknown girl's head must be harmed, and he himself, if necessary must protect her.

Twilight was falling when he reached the Moorhof. The herd was just being brought in. A wagon loaded with sheaves was swaying on the last stretch of road before him. Like yesterday, the blind proprietor was standing beside the barn, with his careful listening, and directed all that was being done as expertly as if he had not lost his eyesight. He heard Frederick approach, but held his peace until he heard the young man's greeting.

"Your troopers were here several times today looking for you. One of them mounted just an hour ago and rode down the river," said the farmer roughly, indifferently, and yet tensely listening to every tone of Frederick's reply.

"One of them! Which one? Wh; did he leave?"

asked Frederick excitedly.

"The one you call Walter. Since noon he has come to the farm three times and asked for you, each time becoming more abrupt and restless! Finally with a blasphemous curse he saddled his horse and dashed

away- it is still ringing in my ears."

Frederick's heart pounded violently, he breathed with difficulty. All of this sounded disastrous. Had Walter found some Anabaptists? Was he now flying to the Councilor to lead them to the tracks? He found a small measure of comfort in the certainty that he had himself warned the Anabaptist girl at the very time Walter was asking for him the first time. She must long since have reached her own people, the heretics, and all could have escaped.

On the threshold of the living room he saw the other two horsemen that Kurt tom Plan had entrusted to him yesterday. According to their report, they had ridden far across the heath, wandered among swamps, but had found nothing of Walter's whereabouts, had not met him, and had returned to the farm after he had ridden

off to the north.

"But here among the obstinate peasants I have an uncanny feeling," added Konrad, a tall man from Bremen with a defiant, rough face. An old fellow in a brown shepherd's jacket walks over the yard occasionally, whispers to the blind rogue, who has evil designs upon us, and I can swear that I heard him say we would have trouble getting our swords and boots home out of the moor and would have no desire for a captive."

As the darkness deepened in the large room, which had no light but what it received through the open doorway to the yard, the young man's disquiet grew. The hot day had wearied him, and yet he would not have wanted to follow the two horsemen who went to their bundles of straw and were sound asleep when Frederick peered into their room. No one in the yard seemed to notice his restlessness. The farmer's servants disappeared one by one. Finally only the blind man was left at the fireside listening to his guest pacing back and forth from the house, over the yard, and from

the gateway back to the house.

Only once the old man broke the silence. Frederick had again come close to him and was staring motionlessly into the glowing coals. Suddenly the old man laid his hand on Frederick's shoulder, and in monotonous insistent tones said, "If you have seen what you had no right to seek, close your eyes. Leave judgment to the Lord and do not take upon yourself the authority to punish where you have not been sinned against."

The young man, startled out of his gloomy brooding, faced the old farmer: "What do you know about the people on the moor? Who are they? Since when have

they been living there?"

"I know nothing about the people on the moor, and I don't care to know about them," answered the blind man. "If you know anything take my advice and then

you will find peace."

Frederick was about to respond angrily, but the old man left the hearth to go to his bedroom. The young man went out into the courtyard again and glanced once more at the sleeping horsemen, without joining them. He argued bitterly with himself for not giving more consideration to Hilla's safety by not inquiring more urgently for her own sake about her home. The blind man certainly knew about her and where she lived, but not a word could be forced out of him, and so hour after hour went by and Frederick's mute worry and restlessness increased.

He left the yard and went over the fields to a slight elevation not far from the grove of oak. The night was very dark. Along the valley he could distinguish only the stripe of water from the darkness in which the fields, hedges, trees and meadows merged. Toward the

west, where the moor lay, he stared fixedly.

Suddenly it seemed to him he saw a light appear there, disappear, and reappear. He fixed his gaze more sharply on the distant glow. For some time it stood out in the darkness at a single point, but then there was no doubt but that it was coming nearer and nearer moving toward the river valley. Excited, in expectation of the worst, he left the hillock and sought the path along the Ems. For a moment the light disappeared, but in the next it was visible again, and at the same time the sound of hooves sounded in Frederick's ears.

He quickened his speed toward the approaching rider, who must have dashed on ahead of the others. The light of the torches that penetrated the darkness so harshly red had not reached the fields, and the hoofbeats could already be heard between them over across the stubble, turning onto the path leading to the Moorhof. The rider was flying nearer when he heard Frederick's cry, "Walter! Where from and where to?"

"We have them! We cleaned out the brood of devils!" he exulted stopping his horse. "Praise God,

Squire, that you are here."

"Whom do you have?" Frederick asked in lifeless tones, although he had no need of an answer.

### Chapter 14

Three men and a woman," cried Walter. "This morning I found the tracks to their caves on the moor; a man from this farm must have gone that way shortly

before! I came back twice, three times, looking for you. Finally I feared you also had made a find but had fallen into the hands of the fanatics. I couldn't wait any longer I went at top speed to Leer to alert the gentlemen there. Nicholas, your cousin, made fun of me and didn't believe me, but Kurt tom Plan made them start out.

"We reached the moor at night and I lost the way. But our men searched to the right and to the left. Unfortunately we lost poor Werner of Osnabruck in the marsh. It was probably just about noon when we suddenly saw a fire and surrounded it. Four fell into our hands; there they come! Hurrah, squire, wish me luck; it was my first exploit as a trooper!"

But not a sound came from Frederick's lips. If the young trooper could have seen Frederick's face in the darkness - so deathly pale, so distorted with apprehension and impotent rage - he would have been startled. Down there the torches shone, there sounded the noise of the oncoming troop of cavalry Frederick watched it with the last vanishing shred of hope.

"What kind of woman did you catch? An old one!"

he managed to say, half out of his senses.

"No, a young girl-as far as I could tell in the dark, a beautiful one!" said Walter merrily and at the same time called across the field to the approaching group. "The squire is alive; he did not fall into the hands of Baal's rabble!'

Voices of greeting were heard from the troops. Frederick forced himself to take a few forward steps, and since he was unable to turn his eyes away he stared at his comrades as if petrified. Among the troopers, their torches with black smoke swirling far in the night breeze, he recognized Hilla! A rope tied her arm to he saddle; she was swaying along with half-closed eyes. Detlev and the other two men from the moor were chained and were pushed forward by the soldiers. Behind all of them came the councillors of Emden and Hamburg.

Kurt tom Plan lifted himself in the saddle with pleasure. Nicholas looked straight ahead gloomier, more dignified than ever and had not seen Frederick as yet. But in the next minute, when the first troopers reached the young man, whose gaze was concentrated on Hilla shivering in the cold, Nicholas

looked up.

Hilla had also just opened her eyes-she caught sight of Frederick and a low moan of suffering was forced from her breast! She turned away immediately with a gesture of abhorrence, and Frederick understood that this abhorrence was for him. At the same moment, Nicholas noticed the momentary flicker on her face. He saw his young cousin with the pale, nearly distorted features shudder at the stranger's glance, and, without a word of greeting, he hurried past him with a threatening look.

But to the young man the wrathful faces of all the councillors of the entire Hanseatic League would at this moment have been a mere joke! The captive's look had lighted in Frederick's soul the decision to release her, cost what it would, come what might! With composure he followed the troop, which, filling the silence of the night with wild noise, was hurrying toward the Moorhof and rushing at the walls of the farmyard as if for attack. When the cavalrymen streamed through the gate, with mocking words drove the captives toward the barn, extinguished their torches on the straw, and noisily forced their way into all the rooms of the house, they aroused more than the two soldiers from their slumbers. The blind owner with his servants and maids got up, and while the last ones resentfully evading violence fled to the hearth, the farmer fearlessly approached the two councillors, who were approvingly watching Hilla and the captured men being chained to strong posts in the interior of the barn. Frederick was standing to one side fighting the urge to run up and stop this brutal violence. He had to endure what he could not avert, without abandoning the hope that he had formulated in the midst of the horror of this hour. He heard the words of the blind man with a loud voice calling out through all the confusion.

"Worshipful sirs! My farm is not the bailiff's tower, and you are breaking in without even asking me, who am living, a free man, on my own inheritance. You are chasing my servants out of the straw, your troopers are threatening to set fire to my roof. I don't know any longer, am I master of the Moorhof

or are you?"

"We really don't know, old man!" was Kurt tom Plan's sharp reply. "Are you sure you don't deserve to be thrown in with them?" pointing to the captives. "Then don't defy us! We shall stay here and do what our office demands, and you will put up with it! But if it turns out you knew about those people on the moor we will have another word with you.'

Nicholas remained completely mute during this scene. But when the servants had gradually scattered he beckoned his cousin to follow him into the house. Sternly and gloomily he went ahead. Roughly he pushed aside the blind man who was standing in his way. Frederick walked several paces behind him and from the doorway he looked back at the barn where he knew Hilla was chained, guarded by two troopers at the doorway on bundles of straw. That glance did not escape the councillor's notice, and the vein on his forehead stood out in anger. But in spite of his wrath, he spoke to Frederick in a subdued voice as though he did not want to have his spiteful words heard by the farmer and his servants: "What is the meaning of the glances you are casting on the Anabaptist girl? Beware! You shall not tarnish the good reputation of our men!"

The young man thought he heard a rough, hoarse laugh upon these angry words; Nicholas himself infuriated looked up and around. But there was no one in sight, and the councillor's angry look returned to Frederick, who stood silent, and was greatly relieved when he realized that Nicholas was unaware of the truth. And yet the blood rushed to his face-he felt that Hilla's beauty had moved him and made him forget who she was.

He was released for the moment when Kurt tom Plan joined them. Kurt seemed quite changed since vesterday; his easy calm was transformed into busy activity. Now he had come to discuss the fate of the captives with Nicholas.

"There is not much for us to do," said Nicholas. "Simply summon the executioner from Emden to eradicate the rabble from the earth with fire. If we find the rest, let the same thing happen to them."

'Don't be so hot-headed, Nicholas; don't be so rash!'' countered Kurt. "You still don't know, we don't know whether they are Anabaptists, and there will be plenty of time for the stakes when we get to Emden. I want to know whether you think we should keep them here or send them on under safe guard."

"Do whatever you wish if you don't like my advice," shouted Nicholas red with anger. "If your wisdom doubts who they are, I am sure of it! If I had undertaken the raid myself, so help me God, they would not have lived to see the next morning. What in your opinion is to happen if we don't sentence them?"

### Chapter 15

We must first seize the others. If you approve we will separate tomorrow. You take twelve of the troopers and follow the tracks on the moor which Walter is sure he will find, and I will ride down into

Munster territory and call up the officials!"

'You shall not say I disagreed with you, Kurt," replied Nicholas. "We will do as you think." During these words a change occurred in Nicholas' expression that was noticed only by Frederick. A kind of joy flashed over his rigid features as soon as Kurt turned to go, and the young man shuddered as he looked at Nicholas' eyes. They betrayed a decision, and Kurt might not have lain down so calmly beside the hearth if he had, like Frederick, seen his expression.

The summer morning was already dawning when the last persons in the househod went to bed. At the fireside, stretched out on his mantle, lay Kurt tom Plan, and opposite him lay Nicholas. No one was concerned any longer about Frederick. To be sure, he wanted urgently to hurry through the yard to the barn to give Hilla a word of comfort. But he had to wait for morning, and besides, a feeling of distrust held him back in this room. Nicholas had closed his eves; he was breathing heavily, but still Frederick was not convinced he was asleep. He kept him constantly in view and whenever Nicholas sat up, he tried to read from his face and to interpret the expression he had last heard.

Frederick did not close his eyes. Impatiently he watched the day breaking and shining in the doorway. There was no time to lose, for it was certainly mischief that his cousin had in mind as he rest-

lessly turned and tossed.

The morning suddenly shone in full glow over the farmstead; the troopers were getting up, and with beating heart he saw from his place at the hearth that Walter was giving the captives water and pieces of black bread. In the living room the peat fire had gone out for the first time in years, but no member of the household came to light it again. Finally Frederick got up and stirred the ashes on the hearth for sparks.

Then Nichoias sat up and said: "Stop that! We don't need a fire, we are leaving right away. You will come with me. I won't leave you out of my sight another day!'

Kurt tom Plan also awoke. He looked around in surprise and when he was told that neither the farmer nor his servants had made an appearance, he laughed aloud: "They are angry with us for desecrating their farm unbidden as a refuge for criminals. The local populace is obstinate and the old man, who sees only with his ears, is the most defiant among them.

Nicholas turned away as if displeased by his wasting even a word on these peasants. He went out and gave orders to prepare to leave. The soldiers obeyed grumblingly and carelessly; they had been worn out yesterday by riding back and forth, and still the councillor's face gave no indication that the end was near. Kurt tom Plan was amazed at his comrade's energy.

"You are trying to make me look like a lazybones, Nicholas," he laughed. "But if it must be, I will also leave without my eye-opener. If today or tomorrow you make a catch, send them all to Leer. The Moorhof does not seem to me to be a secure prison.'

"Let me take care of that!" said Nicholas. He selected two of the soldiers to guard the prisoners and to watch over the Moorhof. Others went with Kurt. The rest Nicholas entrusted to Walter's care.

Without a word Frederick mounted his gray horse. Then when the door to the barn was opened, he forced himself to give the interior only a hasty glance. He saw the prisoners were resting on the sheaves of grain and seemed to be awaiting their fate with dull indifference. The girl's eyes were closed; her breast heaved in heavy breathing; she seemed to have wept much during the night and her pale face had a feverish glow.

Frederick's decision was unshakable. While riding away, he formulated a clear plan to carry it out. Frederick was the last one in the procession which was winding its way between the meadows wet with dew. Nicholas and Walter were leading the group.

Frederick saw the farmer at the edge of the oak grove. he turned his horse toward him and said softly, "Yesterday you admonished me to leave the judgment to God. it will not be my fault if the contrary happens. But the poor people in your barn will not die with my consent. If you can, speak to the girl and tell her the cavalryman who let her escape will open her fetters before nightfall! The old man listened intently, and his face seemed to light up. But he responded in a tone of warning.

"Do not stir up hope which will be followed by despair! You are young and have courage, but not power! What do you plan to do?'

"Tell the girl what I said!" said Frederick. "Now I

must go if I am to keep my word."

He spurred his horse and dashed after the troop. Nicholas was just looking around for him and with a stern motion of his hand ordered him to a place on his right. On his left was Walter, and the other horsemen followed.

"We must keep more to the north than yesterday evening," said Walter. "The heath where we met the criminals was wide and there seemed to be many sand spits on the moor in the direction of the Aa River." Frederick's face lighted up with hope. The homes of the people to whom Hilla belonged must have been much farther south. As soon as it would be possible for him to linger behind and leave the troops he believed he could successfully rescue the girl. In urgent impatience he waited for a favorable moment. Whenever he met the councillor's eye his heart beat faster and bridle tightened in his hand.

Meanwhile, they had come to the edge of the high moor. Walter rode back and forth and soon found the tracks of yesterday's ride. The path was narrow and led along the dry spots, leaving marshy land on both sides. However angry it made Nicholas, it became necessary to ride single-file. To the right and left, heath ridges appeared; soldiers were sent out to: examine them. Frederick was still at his cousin's

But with an eye strangely sharpened by excitement he already saw the place in the path where he was planning to leave the troop. And when they reached it, a low place on the moor, he remained behind as if by chance. His last glance at Nicholas told him that he would not be missed for a long time. More than one of the troopers was now riding on ahead, and the councillor may have supposed him to be among them. No one, unless heaven was against him, would think that he was racing back to the Ems Valley!

He closed his eyes, pressed his heels into his horse's flanks, and when he looked back ten minutes later the searching troops were out of sight. With the speed of wind, boldly riding over marshy spots previously avoided, he flew along. Trembling, he prayed for an hour's advantage and did not pause until he reached the river and was riding along its bank up to the Moorhof. Only when the walls of the farmstead appeared in view did he draw a deep breath. Once more, he thought over what had to be done. Clearly his plan presented itself to him and it had to be done with lightning speed! Now he trotted in between the walls, apparently without haste, sitting lightly in the saddle with an air of pretended indifference. To be continued

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### MIGRATIONS

Lewis and Mary (Yutzy) Kauffman and family moved from Jamesport, to LaPlata, on Sept. 11.

Lewis S. Kauffmans moved from #1 Jamesport, Missouri to #4 LaPlata, Missouri, on Sept. 11.

Harvey T. and Edna (Borntreger) Yoder moved from Middlebury, Indiana, to Garnett, Kansas.

Roman A. Borntragers moved from #2 Huntingdon, Tennessee to #3 Pawnee City, Nebraska, in Sept.

Rudy A. Troyers moved from #1 Hollow Rock, Tennessee, to #3 Pawnee City Nebraska, in Sept.





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Emma, daughter of Reuben and Mary Borntrager

### Norwich, Ontario

East District

September 14, by Bishop Eli Swartzentruber Ammon, son of Mose J. and Barbara (Stutzman) Miller Joni, son of Pre. Levi L. and Lizzie (Shelter) Miller Emma, daughter of Dan J. and Ella (Stutzman) Shetler Lizzie, daughter of Andy B. and the late Fannie (Gingerich) Yoder Fannie, daughter of Mose J. and Barbara (Stutzman) Miller

West District

September 21, by Bishop Eli Swartzentruber Levi and Eli, sons of Dan E. and Lizzie (Troyer) Miller Samuel, son of Pre. Jacob L. and Katie (Yoder) Miller Mose, son of Elmer N. and Mary (Shetler) Shetler Roy, son of Gideon E. and Sarah (Stutzman) Miller Sarah, daughter of Pre. Jacob L. and Katie (Yoder) Miller Lydia, daughter of David A. and Sarah (Stutzman) Troyer

### **MARRIAGES**

### Dover, Delaware

Byler, Bender - widower Bishop Simon W. Byler to Lizzie Bender,

Aug 31, by Bishop Noah S. Byler.

Mast, Yoder - Alvin, son of Bishop Andy H. and Sarah Mast to Malinda, daughter of Bishop John J. and Lovina Yoder, Sept. 25, by Bishop John J. Yoder.

### Mercer County, Pennsylvania

Yoder, Mullet - Allen, son of Edward Yoder, Atlantic, Pa., to Ida, daughter of William Mullets, Mercer, Pa., on September 4, by Eli J. Troyer, Atlantic, Pa.

### Geauga County, Ohio

Byler, Kuhns - Harvey, son of Walley Byler, Atlantic, Pa., to Fannie, dau. of Ervin and Edna (Mast) Kuhns, on September 25.

Byler, Miller - Eli, son of Jake and Katie (Detweiler) Byler, to Nancy, daughter of Joe and Ada (Wengerd) Miller, on September 18,

Miller, Miller - Lester, son of Harvey and Sovilla (Hostetler) Miller, to Kathy, daughter of Martin and Sarah (Troyer) Miller, on September 16.

Troyer, Miller - John, son of Albert and Katie (Mast) Troyer, to Susan, daughter of Joe and Katie Ann (Yoder) Miller, on September

Yoder, Miller - Mervin, son of Freeman and Lizzie (Weaver) Yoder, to Loma Mae, daughter of Andy and Lydiann (Troyer) Miller, on September 18.

### Wayne County, Ohio

Hershberger, Miller - Isaac Jr., son of Isaac and Katie (Mast) Hershberger, to Anna, daughter of Joe and Mary (Troyer) Miller, on September 11, by Bishop Roman Troyer.

Mast, Miller - Roy, son of Atlee and Mattie (Raber) Mast to Mary, daughter of Albert and Fannie (Schlabach) Miller, September 4, by Bishop Dan Schlabach.

Miller, Hershberger - Abe, son of Crist and Susie (Stutzman) Miller, to Esther, daughter of Ammon and Fannie (Miller) Hershberger, by Bishop David Troyer, September 30.

Shrock, Troyer - Jake, to Dena, daughter of Pete and Barbara (Miller) Troyer, on September 4.

### Holmes County, Ohio

Troyer, Miller - Steve, son of David and Clara (Miller) Troyer to Katie, daughter of Uriah and Mary (Weaver) Miller, September 25.

### Frederickstown, Ohio

Miller, Kauffman - Albert, son of Sarah Miller and the late Noah Miller to Ida, daughter of Chris and Alma Kauffman, by Chris Kauffman, September 18.

### Adams County, Indiana

Hilty, Miller - Mervin C., son of Preacher Christ K. and Clara Hilty, Berne, to Gertie L., daughter of the late Levi L. and Rosa Miller, Berne, Aug. 28, by Bishop Henry K. Hilty.

Schwartz, Girod - Aaron Q., son of Mr. and Mrs. Chris P. Schwartz, Geneva to Rosie R., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David M. Girod, Geneva, August 21.

Schwartz, Hilty - Elmer A., son of Amos H. and Lizzie Schwartz, Monroe to Elma M., daughter of Joseph A. and Mattie Hilty, Monroe, by Bishop Henry K. Hilty, August 21.

### Nappanee, Indiana

Farmwald, Borkholder - Merle, son of Leroy and Edna (Helmuth) Farmwald to Anna, daughter of Tobias and Mary Ellen (Miller) Borkholder, September 25.

Miller, Chupp - Mark, son of Earl and Laura (Borkholder) Miller and Velma, daughter of John and Katie (Yoder) Chupp, September 24.

Troyer, Slabaugh - Paul, son of Howard Troyers to Karen, daughter of Dan and Katie Slabaugh, by Lonnie Slabaugh, September 3.

### LaGrange County, Indiana

Miller, Kemp - Homer, son of Eli W. Millers, Haven, Kansas to Wilma, daughter of Henry C. and Susan (Knepp) Yoder, by John Helmuth, Nappanee, August 28.

Miller, Miller - Ernest Lee, son of Floyd and Ruby Stutzman to Polly Anna, daughter of Willard and Ella (Miller) Miller, by Elvie

Frye, September 11.

Schwartz, Raber - David, son of Amos and Gertie (Kaufman) Schwartz to Mary Lou, daughter of Joe and Martha (Slabach) Raber, by Joe J. Yoder, September 4.

Wagler, Troyer - Philip, son of Abner Waglers, Aylmer, Ontario, Canada to Fannie Marie, daughter of Orla and Edna (Yoder) Troyer

by Calvin Lambright, September 4.

Yoder, Lehman - Enos, son of Henry C. and Susan (Knepp) Yoder to Lizzie Mae, daughter of Edward and Celesta (Hochstetler) Lehman, by Ervin Lehman, September 3.

Schrock, Miller - Elmer, son of Levi J. and Mary W. Bontrager to Wilma, daughter of Ervin and the late Sarah (Miller) Miller, by Ervin Hochstedler.

Bontrager, Miller - Mervin, son of Daniel J. and Mary R. (Bontrager) Bontrager and Carolyn, daughter of Noah and Katie (Lehman) Miller, by groom's father, on September.

Bontrager, Yoder - Orva, son of Dan B. and Wilma (Wingard) Bontrager to Ruby, daughter of Levi and Amelia (Bontrager) Yoder.

Troyer, Slabaugh - Paul, son of Howard and Erma (Yoder) Troyer to Karen, daughter of Dan Slabaughs, Nappanee, by Lonny Slabaugh, September 3.

Yoder, Eicher - Amos, son of Joe Yoders, Iowa to Betty, daughter

of Amos and Edna (Miller) Eicher, September 25.

Miller, Yoder - Ezra, son of Andrew W. and Mary Ann (Borkholder) Miller, Centerville, Michigan, to Alma, daughter of Ervin and Annie (Troyer) Yoder, by the groom's grandfather, Wm. P. Miller, Centerville, Michigan.

Daviess County, Indiana

Graber, Knepp - Raymond, son of Amos and Mildred (Graber) Graber to Linda, daughter of Raymond and Verda (Knepp) Knepp, by Amos A. Graber, September 14.

Wagler, Knepp - Delmar, son of Glen and Ida (Knepp) Wagler to Mary Ruth, daughter of Henry and Rosa (Graber) Knepp, by Fred W.Knepp, September 14.

### Lovington, Illinois

Miller, Schrock - Enos, son of Elmer and Amanda (Hershberger) Miller to Margaret, daughter of Edwin and Viola (Yoder) Schrock.

### Guthrie, Kentucky

Graber, Byler - Melvin, son of Paul and Annie (Whetstone) Graber to Martha, daughter of William and Ada (Byler) Byler, by Simon M. Yoder, September 11.

Hochtetler, Schlabach - Vernon, son of Elmer and Mary (Hochtetler) Hochtetler to Verna, daughter of Ervin and Edna (Wengerd) Schlabach, by Simon M. Yoder, September 5.

Schlabach, Yoder - Robert, son of Ervin and Edna (Wengerd) Schlabach to Shirley, daughter of Owen and Mary (Mast) Yoder, Croften, by Mahlon Schrock, September 2.

Swarey, Graber - Daniel, son of Sam and Malinda (Yoder) Swarey to Loretta, daughter of Paul and Annie (Whetstone) Graber, by Simon M. Yoder, August 28.

### Huntingdon, Tennessee

Nissley, Borntrager - Jonas, son of Amos and Lena Nissley, #2 Huntingdon to Elnora, daughter of Levi and Dora (Gingerich 278 Borntrager, #2 Huntingdon, by Samuel J. Mast, September 18.

Borntrager, Troyer - David J., son of John (deceased) and Lydia Borntrager, Anabel, Missouri, to Edna, daughter of Andy R. and Mary (Gingerich) Troyer, Huntingdon, by Samuel J. Mast, August 21

Gingerich, Yoder - Andrew, son of Jakie E. and Mary Gingerich to Clara, daughter of Mose and Katie Yoder, by Bishop Amos Borntreger, Wilton, Wisc., August 21.

Gingerich, Gingerich - David, son of Preacher Dan Gingerichs, Greenwood, Wisconsin, to Miriam, daughter of Jakie and Mary

Gingerich, Clark, Missouri, August 26.

### Jamesport, Missouri

Hostetler, Graber - Floyd, son of William Lee and Verna (Troyer) Hostetler to Leona, daughter of Melvin and Sarah (Schrock) Graber, by Bishop Ferman J. Troyer, September 18.

### Pike County, Missouri

Schwartz, Girod - Daniel L., son of Jacob S. and Lydia (Hilty) Schwartz to Elizabeth, daughter of Enos P. and Fannie (Miller) Girod, by Petie C. Burkholder, September 25.

### Johnson County, Iowa

Miller, Miller - Dennis, son of John Henry Millers to Verna, daughter of Henry M. and Amy (Otto) Miller, by Bishop Truman Miller, September 25.

### Buchanan County, Iowa

Yoder, Helmuth - David, son of Preacher David and Anna Yoder to Esther, daughter of Wayne and Amanda Helmuth, by Ura Gingerich, Bowling Green, Missouri, September 4.

### Amherst, Wisconsin

Miller, Beachy - Bennie, son of Ammon and Lydia Miller to Irma, daughter of Aaron and Edna Mae Beechy, by Reuben S. Borntrager, September 4.

Miller, Yoder - Dannie, son of Ammon and Lydia (Borntrager) Miller to Rosa, daughter of Elmer and Martha (Borntrager) Yoder,

by Dan A. Miller, Indiana, September 9.

Yoder, Miller - Glen, son of Elmer and Martha (Borntrager) Yoder to Polly, daughter of Ammon and Lydia (Borntrager) Miller, by Dan A. Miller, Indiana, September 11.

### **ORDINATIONS**

### Juniata County, Pennsylvania

In South District a minister was ordained. The lot fell on Wayne A. Troyer, #2 Mifflintwon, Pa., son of (Shop) Atlee and Effie (Troyer) Troyer. His wife is a daughter of Emory A. Weavers. Others in the lot were: Atlee L. M. Troyer, Levi Kanagy and John Petersheim.

### Mifflin County, Pennsylvania

Daniel R. Peachey, 29, Belleville, son of Rufus D. and the late Lizzie (Yoder) Peachey. His wife is Olive, daughter of Preacher Samuel T. and Salina (Peachey) Peachey, Newport, New York. Others in the lot were: Israel Swarey and Samuel Wengerd.

### Geauga County, Ohio

Joe J. Mast, 36, Pioneer Rd., Middlefield, son of John and Barbara Mast, was ordained deacon in the Huntsburg East (Elmer A. Miller) District, on Sept. 27. He is married to Ella, daughter of Mrs. Andy G. Byler, Atlantic, Pa.

### **OBITUARIES**

Beachy, Jason, Franklin, Ky.

died September 25, he fell down the chute of their silo and fractured his skull, and died a week later. He was the son of Minister and Mrs. Eli Beachy.

Beiler, Rachel, 81, Gap, Pa.

died at her home Sunday morning, September 21, after an illness of six months. She was born in Leacock Township, the daughter of the late Jonathan and Mary (Stoltzfus) King. She was the widow of the late Jacob N. Beiler. Also one son preceded her in death. She was a member of the Old Order Amish Church.

Surviving are these sons and daughters, Mary K., wife of John Stoltzfus, Dundee, N. Y.; Omar K., Leola; Annie, at home; Noah,

#2 Narvon; Sarah, wife of Morris Stoltzfus, Talmage; Lizzie, wife of Reuben Miller, Lancaster; Jacob E. Vicksburg, Pa.; Rachel, wife of Amos K. Stoltzfus, #1 Gap; 36 grandchildren; and 20 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, September 24, at 11:00 at Amos Beiler, White Horse. Anfang by Jacob Stoltzfus, Kinzer. Main sermon by Bishop Jonathan King. Burnal at Myers

Cemetery.

Bender, Lena, 82,

died while attending a reunion at the Kalona Bark.

She leaves her husband, 3 sons and 3 daughters, all married except Mary, who is at home. Her sisters and brothers are M. Miller, Mrs. Wm. E. Miller, Mrs. John B. Yoder and Mrs. Elam Hochstetler.

Detweiler, Edward, 15, Jamesport, Mo.

died Saturday, September 20, born November 23, 1964, the son of Henry T. and Sarah (Hostetler) Detweiler. He was preceded in death by his 12 year old brother David, when he was killed November 14, 1979, when he was struck by a car on the road in front of their home. (see November 1979 Diary). These boys were henry's 2 oldest children.

Survivors include his parents, 3 brothers, Lonnie, Raymond and Freeman, one sister, Luann, all of the home. Grandparents, Tobias and Lena Detweiler, Menno M. and Ada Hostetler all of

Jamesport, Missouri.

Funeral services were held September 23, at William S. Hostetlers. Preaching by Eli N. Troyer and Will Schrock.

Eicher, David, 48, Bowling Green, Missouri

died at his home early, Thursday morning, August 14, 1980, following a long hard battle on cancer, after which he had his back broken, in 1952, when a small tornado struck at their home, he spent 3 months, in the hospital but still had an open sore on his tailbone all these years.

He was born in Berne, Indiana, son of Chriss and Margaret (Wickey) Eicher, was married to Salina, daughter of George D.

and Lovina (Bontrager) Yoder.

Surviving are his wife and 1 adopted daughter, Lovina, 3 brothers and 4 sisters, Barbara, Mrs. William Lee, Snyder Co., Pa.; Katie, Mrs. Willard Borntrager, Curryville, Mo.; Jakie W. C., Branch Co., Mich.; Amos, Snyder Co., Pa.; Henry, Christina, Mrs. Moses J. K. Burkholder and Josephine, Mrs. Sam J. Whetstone, all 3 of Curryville, Missouri. Preceded him in death are his mother, his father-in-law, and a sister, Mary.

Funeral services were held on Sunday afternoon, at the home by Preacher Dan M. Eicher and Bishop Jacob W. Eicher, and at Ura J. Yoders by Pre. Noah R. Schwartz, Berne, Ind. and Bish. Ura I. Yoder. Pallbearers were Eli C. Burkholder, Samuel L. Schwartz,

Levi L. Schwartz and Sam N. Schwartz.

Girod, Amos A., 7 months, #2 Berne, Indiana

died September 6, at the Adams County Hospital of a virus after only a brief illness. Born January 19, 1980, he is the son of Amos M. and Elizabeth (Schwartz) Girod. Surviving in addition to his parents are 1 sister, Mary Ann A. and one brother Henry A., both at home. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Henry M. Schwartz and Mr. and Mrs. Menno S. Girod.

Funeral services were held September 8th, at the home of his parents. Burial was in the Schwartz Cemetery.

Herschberger, Emma, 81, Arthur, Ill.

died September 1, 1980, at the family home, age 81 years, 5 months and 11 days. She was the daughter of the late Solomon and Magdalena (Kemp) Yutzy, was born March 21, 1899. Death was due to lung cancer and weak heart. She had been failing since January and was bedfast for 7 weeks. She joined the Old Order Amish Church in her youth, in which faith she died. Always attended church when health permitted. She was married to Menno J. Schrock, November 25, 1925. He preceded her in death on February 13, 1973.

She leaves to mourn her departure 3 children, Jacob E. Schrock, Hicksville, Ohio; Daniel M., Foosland, Ill.; Mary, (Mrs. Levi J. Hostetler), Arthur, Ill.; 5 step-children, Anna (Mrs. Fred J. Mast), Sullivan, Ill.; Lena (Mrs. Dan A. Miller), Arthur, Ill.; Joe M. Schrock. Archbold, Ohio; Barbara (Mrs. Joas A. Herschberger), Chris M. Schrock of Arthur, Ill.; 13 grandchildren; 34 step-grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; 89 step-great-grandchildren; 3 brothers, Sim, Levi, Dan Yutzy all of Arthur, Ill.; 4

brothers, 1 sister and Mary (Mrs. Truman Helmuth) preceded her in death.

March 17, 1974 she married Joe E. Herschberger, lived in

matrimony 6 years, 5 months and 15 days.

She leaves to mourn her husband; 6 step-children, Fannie (Mrs. Leo Yoder) of Prairie, Miss., Lizzie (Mrs. Edwin J. Bontrager), Tillie (Mrs. Mose A. Bontrager) both of Kokomo, Ind., Clara (Mrs. Andrew E. Yoder) of Amboy, Ind., Simon J. Herschberger of Middlebury, Ind., Rosa (Mrs. Andy A. Herschberger) of Kokomo, Ind.; 38 step-grandchildren; 53 step-great-grandchildren; a step-son-in-law, Truman D. Helmuth.

Funeral services were held September 3, at the family home in Amboy, Indiana by Bishop Amos Graber, Nappanee, Ralph Yoder, Hicksville, Ohio, Bishop Joe J. Yoder, Shipshewana, 90th Psalm by Pre. Abe Bontrager, Shipshewana. Then in Arthur, Illinois at Levi J. Hostetlers, September 4, by Bishop Henry A. Miller, Illinois, Bishop George Gingerich, Bloomfield, Iowa, Bishop Steve Kauffman, Illinois, 90th Psalm by Pre. Joe S. Kauffman. Burial in Yoder Cemetery.

Hershberger, Peter E., 87, Sugarcreek, Ohio

died early Saturday morning at his home following a lengthy illness. Born in Holmes County, he was a son of the late Emanuel P. and Sarah (Yoder) Hershberger. He was a retired farmer and member of the Old Order Amish Church. His first wife, the former Mattie D. Raber, died in 1960, and his second wife, the former Ida Miller, died in 1968.

Surviving are five daughters and two sons, Mrs. Henry H. (Sarah) Miller and Mrs. Jonas D. (Edna) Troyer, both of RD1, Baltic, Mrs. David C. (Mary) Wengerd, RD5, Millersburg, Katie P., and Martha P., of the home, John P., Winesburg and Levi P., Big Prairie; a sister and four brothers, Mrs. Dan M. Troyer and Eli P. Hershberger, RD1 Baltic, and Dan E. RD3, Jacob E., RD6 and Mose E., RD5, all Millersburg; 10 step-children; 19 grandchildren; 30 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Tuesday at 9:30 at the Hershberger residence with Bishop Aden R. Miller officiating. Burial was in the

Yoder Cemetery in Clark Township.

Hertzler, Rachel, 17 days, St. Marys Co., Maryland

died in Children's Hospital in Washington D. C., September 13, after an operation on a heart valve. She was a daughter of Enos and Fannie Hertzler.

Funeral services were held, September 15, by Jacob Stoltzfus and Dan L. Stoltzfus. She is survived by 2 sisters and 1 brother. Burial in Hertzler Cemetery.

Hochstetler, Aden, 33, #4 St. Marys, Ontario, Canada

died August 10, born in Wayne County, Ohio, he was the son of Abe and Nettie Hochstetler. He had cancer. His wife was Elizabeth Yoder, whom he married in November 1968. His cancer started with small brown spots on side of nose close to the eye. When the spot started to activate he went to a specialist in London, Ont., they suggested to take it off surgically, which they did. At same time we went to Dallas, Texas, to Taylor Clinic. He took treatments there, that was in December 1978, summer of 1979 he developed lumps under jaw, which condition stayed with him till death. The Taylor Clinic Treatments would check for short durations. During the winter of 1979, headaches developed, he could still help with chores and clean stables, took cat scan in March 1980, which showed tumor on the brain, which caused the headaches. He went on laetril in March, and endured much pain thru May, June, first part of July, but the last 3 weeks of life he appreared to have little pain. He lost much weight and slowly got weaker, where on August 10, Sundays, toward noon he took his last breath, relieved of his earthly struggle, and have hopes he is resting with his Saviour.

Surviving besides his parents and his wife are 2 children, Martha and Ivan, and the following brothers and sisters, Jonas, Virginia; Levi, Mary, Martin, John, Daniel and Annie, all of Lakeside, Ontario. Grandparents, Martin J. and Elizabeth (Keim)

Hochstetler, Apple Creek, Ohio.

Graber, Harve, 67, New Haven, Indiana

died in bed, Tuesday eve with a heart attack. They had been to their daughters, Reuben Grabers, for supper that night. He did not complain of being sick.

Funeral services were held Saturday, Noah Graber preached in

one house and Noah R. Schwartz, Berne, Ind., in the other house. They had built a new house this spring and moved into it. Their son Dave and family live in the big house.

Kauffman, Susan Jane, infant daughter, Oakland, Maryland

died July 14, born June 26, a daughter of Noah and Alma (Peachy) Kauffman. She was at the hospital all the time during her short stay here on earth.

Surviving besides her parents are 1 sister and 2 brothers. Grandparents, Mrs. Lottie Peachy, Oakland, Md.; and Alvin Kauffman's, Marshfield, Mo.

Grave side services were held.

Mast, Sara B., 86, #4 Kokomo, Indiana

died at Millersburg, Indiana at the home of her daughter Fannie, Mrs. Calvin Yoder, on June 23. Born in Nappanee, December 24, 1893, she was the daughter of Benjamin and Lydia (Schmucker) Herschberger. Was married in Arthur, Illinois, November 2, 1915, to Henry N. Mast, who died January 19, 1970. She was a member of the Old Order Amish.

Surviving are 2 daughters and 1 son, Fannie, (Mrs. Calvin Yoder), Millersburg, Ind.; Verna, (Mrs. Jake E. Miller), Amboy, Ind.; Fred, Goshen, Ind.; 3 brothers, Henry Herschberger, South Webster, Ohio; David Herschberger, Arcola, Ill.; Annanias, Arthur, Ill.; 1 sister, Fannie, (Mrs. George Plank, Lovington, Ill.; 19 grandchildren, 37 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were at the residence of Melvin C. Bontragers

on June 26, by Ralph Staley and Freeman Otto.

On December 15, 1977, they had to take her right leg off. She got along real well and was only sick a few days the last time. She

King, Mrs. Amos (Annie E.), 71, Scenic Rd., Gordonville, Penna. died Saturday, September 13, at her daughter's home, Bird-in-Hand #1, after an illness of 3 weeks. She was the widow of Amos K. King who died in 1946. Born in Leacock Township, she was a daughter of the late Abram P. and Melinda (Esh) King. She was a member of the Old Order Amish Church.

She is survived by nine children, David S., Amos K., Lydia, wife of David Stoltzfus; all of Gordonville #1; Abram K., Lancaster; Melinda, wife of Isaac Beiler, Quarryville #3; Gideon K., Gap; Sarah, wife of Amos L. Beiler, Bird-in-Hand; Mary, wife of John Petersheim, Ronks and Mattie, wife of Christ Kauffman, Honeybrook; 59 grandchildren; one great-grandchild; and five brothers, Jacob E., David E., Levi E. all of Gordonville; Amos E., Ronks and Daniel E., New Holland.

Funeral services were held on the home farm on Tuesday, September 16, where her son Amos lives. Short services were held in the house by Christ King and Jonas King and the main sermon in the barn by Jacob King, anfang by Benuel King and Lied by John Fisher. Burial in Myers Cemetery.

Miller, Owen, 24. Garnett, Kansas

died September 5 at hospital, shortly after arriving. He was operating a heavy earth mover which over turned. This was the 2nd day on the job. He was the son of Edna and the late Amos J. Miller. Amos was killed in a tractor accident several years ago.

Funeral services were held Tuesday a.m., September 9th at Lester H. Yoder home, Garnett. Large attended services were held by Edward H. Yoder, Alvariffey and Jonas Yoder.

Lehman, Amos J., 70, Shipshewana, Indiana

died at 1:10 a.m. Saturday at Goshen General Hospital. Born May 7, 1910, in LaGrange County, Mr. Lehman married Lizzie Ann Hochstetler December 30, 1934, in St. Joseph County, Michigan.

Surviving in addition to his wife are three daughters, Mrs. Manan J. W. (Ruby Ellen) Miller, Kalona, Iowa, Mrs. Alvin L. (Verna May) Kuhns, Shipshewana, and Mrs. Sam H. (Freda) Bontrager, Mendon, Mich.; four sons, Ervin J., Goshen, Mahlon L., Ligonier, and Wilbur Ray and Alvin A., both of Shipshewana; two sisters, Mrs. Abe D. (Sarah) Bontrager and Barbara J. Lehman, both of Middlebury; and one brother, Mahlon J., LaGrange.

Funeral services were held at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday in the home of LeRoy Miller, Shipshewana, with bishop Clemence J. Miller and Rev. Chris L. Miller officiating. Burial in North Barrens Cemetery, Shipshewana.

Miller, Mrs. John J. D. (Susan), 78, of Dundee #1, Ohio

died Thursday in Akron General Medical Center following a brief illness. A daughter of the late Amos and Emma (Raber) Mast, she was born in Holmes County and was a member of the Old Order Amish.

Surviving in addition to her husband, whom she married Jan. 13, 1926, are two daughters and four sons: Mrs. Noah A. (Emma) Troyer of #2 Dundee, Mrs. Adam A. M. (Iva) Miller of the home, Eli of Navarre, Paul of Star Route, Millersburg, Jacob of Mount Eaton and Roy of Canton; a sister and three brothers, Mrs. Roy L. (Iva) Schlabach of #5 Millersburg, Dan Mast of Walnut Creek, Eli Mast of #1 Sugarcreek, and Roy Mast of Berlin; 25 grandchildren. A son and two sisters are deceased.

Funeral services were held Sunday at 9:30 in the Miller residence, with Bishop Roman D. Mast officiated. Burial was in Schlabach Cemetery in Paint Township, Holmes County.

Miller, Mrs. Elmer, Indiana

Miller, Ezra, Michigan

Miller, Anna G., 60, #2 Nappanee, Indiana

died Tuesday, August 19 at her home. Born January 25, 1920 in Arthur, Illinois, she was the daughter of George J. and Susie J. (Schrock) Helmuth. She married Amos J. M. Miller on October 19, 1940 and he survives.

Surviving with Mr. Miller is her mother, Mrs. Susie Schlabach of Topeka; four daughters; Mrs. Noah (Susie Carolyn) Borkholder of Nappanee; Mrs. Herman (Ada) Miller of Unity, Wis.; Mrs. Alvin (Katie) Miller of Etna Green; and Mrs. Kenneth (Mary Edna) Miller of Nappanee; four sons: Glen A. Miller of Nappanee; Harley A. Miller of Etna Green; Jacob A. Miller of Nappanee; and Amos Miller Jr. of Nappanee; two brothers, Joe Helmuth of Goshen and John Helmuth of Topeka; two sisters, Mrs. Dan (Lydia) Fry of LaGrange and Mrs. William (Lovina) Yoder of LaGrange; and 25 grandchildren. Two grandchildren preceded her in death.

Funeral services were held Saturday, August 23, at the Noah Borkholder residence with Bishop Uriah Mast and the Rev. Ike Mullet officiating. Burial was in Graber Cemetery.

Miller, John M., 77, #1 Dundee, Ohio

died Saturday night in his home following a long illness. Born in Walnut Creek Township in Holmes County, a son of the late Moses J. and Lizzie Ann (Miller) Miller, he was a member of the Old Order Amish. He was a retired farmer and life resident of the Holmes County area.

Surviving are two sisters and a brother, Mrs. Same E. (Susan) Mast and Adam M. Miller of R# Dundee and Mrs. Noah S. (Fannie Miller of Star Route, Millersburg.

Funeral were held Wednesday at 9:30 a.m. in the residence with Bishop Roman D. Mast officiating. Burial will be in Milo Yoder Cemetery in Paint Township.

Miller, Willis E., 81, #1 Shipshewana, Indiana

died Sunday, September 14, in his home following an illness of eight months. He was born LaGrange County, January 6, 1899, the son of Ezra and Elizabeth (Schrock) Miller. He had lived in the area all his life. He was married in 1921, to Fannie Miller, who preceded him in death in 1968. He married Elizabeth Christner in December 21, 1969. She survives.

Also surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Levi W. (Ruby) Bontrager and Mrs. Ervin (Edna) Schlabach, both of Shipshewana and Mary Swoveland of Goshen; two sons, Vernon of Shipshewana and Amos of Marquette, Mich.; two stepdaughters, Wilma Graber and Gertie Graber, both of Kokomo; two stepsons, Elmer Christner and Samuel Christner, both of Nappanee; 31 grandchildren; 26 great-grandchildren; five step-grandchildren; four sisters, Mrs. Will (Ada) Bontrager and Mrs. Jonas (Sylvia) Hochstetler, both of LaGrange; Mrs. Henry (Emma) Graber of Shipshewana and Mrs. Mary Troyer of Goshen, and a brother, Enos of Shipshewana. A daughter, a brother and two sisters preceded him in death.

Funeral services were held Wednesday at 9:30 a.m. in the family home with Bishop Abe A. Yoder officiating. Burial was in Yoder Cemetery.

Peachey, Mary M., 92, Allensville, Pennsylvania

died august 30, at the home of her son, Jesse S. Peachey, Box 198 Huey Street, Allensville. She was the widow of the late, Josiah H. Peachey. Born May 2, 1888 in Belleville, she was a daughter of the late Eli and Susan (Yoder) Yoder and was the last of her immediate family. She married to Josiah Peachey January

Surviving are her son, Jesse S. Peachey; 11 grandchildren; 16

great-grandchildren.

2, 1917 who passed away June 15, 1954.

Funeral Services were held on September 2 on the home farm where a grandson, Josiah H. Peachey lives. Sermon by the home ministers, Shem Swarey, Emanuel Peachey. Burial in the Allensville Cemetery.

Stoltzfoos, infant daughter, #2 Holtwood, Pennsylvania

died Monday morning at Lancaster Osteopathic Hospital at birth. She was the daughter of John K. and Barbara (Glick) Stoltzfus.

Surviving besides her parents are these sisters: Katie A., Lydia and Sarah, at home; and these brothers: Benuel, David, Abram and Elmer, all at home; paternal grandparents, Benuel K. and Lydia Stoltzfoos, Gordonville #1; maternal grandparents, David W. and Sarah Glick, Lancaster; paternal great-grandmother, Mrs. Annie Stoltzfoos, Bird-in-Hand; and maternal great-grandmother, Mrs. Katie Stoltzfoos, Lancaster.

Stoltzfus, Elam F., 74, 215 Horseshoe Rd., Leola, Pennsylvania

died at 10:50 p.m. Friday, September 19 at Lancaster General Hospital following a critical illness. A retired farmer and a member of the Old Order Amish Church, he was born in Upper Leacock Township, the son of the late Eli B. and Rachel (Fisher) Stoltzfus. He was the husband of the late Malinda (Fisher) Stoltzfus, who died in 1972.

He is survived by three daughters, Rachel, wife of Amos E. Fisher, Strasburg #2, Mary, wife of Christ Dienner, Gap #1, and Naomi F. Stoltzfus, at home; five sons, Aaron F. and Daniel F., both of Leola, Omar F., Lancaster, Melvin L. and Sam F., both of Rebersburg; 48 grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; a sister, Lydia, wife of Emanuel Lapp, Gordonville and a brother, Sam F., Ronks #1.

Funeral services were held September 22 at the home of his son, Aaron Stoltzfus, where he had his latest home. Services were held by Aaron King, short sermon, Elam Zook, main sermon, Jacob King read at house, Sam Zook at graveyard, Levi Stoltzfus Abshied. Burial at Myers Cemetery.

Stoltzfus, Katie Mae, 5, 3809 Old Phila. Pike, Gordonville, Penna. died at her home at 10:30 p.m. Tuesday, September 10 following an illness that began in December. Born in Leacock Township, she was the daughter of Samuel A. and Rachel K. (King) Stoltzfus who survive. She attended the Old Order Amish Church.

Besides her parents, she is survived by brothers and sisters, Johnny, Samuel, Rebecca, Miriam and Martha, all at home; maternal grandparents, Levi and Rebecca (King) King, Gordonville; and paternal grandparents, Ben and Emma (Esh) Fisher, Gordonville.

Funeral services were held at the home September 19, by Christ L. King and David L. Esh, lied by Amos Stoltzfus Jr. Burial in Gordonville Cemetery, lied by Bishop Amos Esh and abshied by Stephen Stoltzfus.

Stutzman, Mrs. Lydiana, Nappanee, Indiana died September 27, 1980. She was born July 23, 1902.

Weaver, Jerry, 9 days, #4 LaGrange, Indiana

died September 9, nine days after birth. Born August 31 he was a twin son of Levi and Lizzie (Yoder) Weaver. The twins were

born prematurely.

Surviving beside his parents are 4 brothers and 3 sisters, Wilbur Lee, LaVern Ray and Laverda Kay (twins) Susan, Marilyn, Jonas Dean and Dewayne and twin brother Gary all at home. Maternal grandparents, Henry C. Yoders of Middlebury, paternal grandparents Jonas L. Weaver, Topeka; great-grandparents, Levi Weaver, LaGrange. Mrs. Anna Mullet, Shipshewana, and Mrs. Mattie Miller of Topeka.

Funeral services were held at family home officiated by Bishop

Daniel Otto. Burial in Yoder Cemetery.

Weaver, Mandy I., 10 day old, Millersburg, Ohio

died Monday night, September 29 in Pomerene Hospital, Millersburg. She was a daughter of Ivan B. and Martha (Miller) Weaver.

Surviving are her parents: 1 sister, Elsie; 4 brothers, Wayne, Allen, Johnny and Junior; paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs.

Ben J. Weaver of #2 Fredericksburg; maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Miller, Jr. of #5 Millersburg.

Funeral services were held Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. at the residence with Bishop Wm. J. Troyer officiating. Burial in Raber Cemetery, Walnut Creek Township, Holmes County.

Yoder, Beulah, 42, #4 LaGrange, Indiana

died Sunday, September 7, in the Ervin A. Miller residence. She was born in LaGrange County, October 19, 1937, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tobe L. Yoder and was a member of the Amish Church.

Surviving are six brothers, Alvin T. and Elmer T., both of LaGrange, Christie T. of How, Tobie T. of Goshen, Ervin T. of Guys Mills, Penna. and Milo T. of Rexford, Mont.; a half-brother, Clarence T. Yoder of LaGrange; two stepbrothers, Melvin E. Shrock of LaGrange and Marvin E. Shrock of Middlebury; six sisters, Mrs. Ora N. (Orpha) Miller of Rexford, Mont., Mrs. Ora S. (Susie) Miller of Dalton, Wis., Mrs. Ezra H. (Rosa) Bontrager of Evansville, Wis., Mrs. Virgil (Anna Mae) Yoder of Topeka, Mrs. Owen K. (Verna) Hershberger of LaGrange and Mrs. Elmer J. (Wilma) Beechy of White Pigeon, Mich.; two half-sisters, Mrs. Marvin (Erma) Miller of Middlebury and Esther Yoder at home, and four stepsisters, Mrs. Daniel (Sarah) Lehman and Mrs. LeRoy (Fannie) Miller, both of Topeka, Katie E. Schrock at home, and Mrs. Ezra N. (Mary) Miller of Hale, Mich.

Funeral services were held Wednesday at 9:30 a.m. in the Tobe Yoder residence with Bishop Simon W. Miller officiating.

Burial in the Yoder Cemetery.

Yoder, Benjamin Y., 90, Conewango Valley, New York

died September 11, of a stroke. He was bedfast for 4 years. He was the son of Joseph and Fannie (Yoder) Yoder and was married to Lydia (Hostetler) Yoder who died August 17, 1980. He was born October 2, 1889 in Mifflin County, Pennsylvania and moved to Conewango Valley in 1949.

Funeral services were held at Eli Hostetlers September 13th by Em. N. Shetler and Ben L. Shetler, 90, and in the new house by Eli

M. Yoder of Sugargrove and Enos Yoder of here.

Yoder, Eli M.; Stuarts Draft, Virginia Funeral services were held August 29—no details.

Yoder, Mrs. Henry L. (Mabel), grantsville, Maryland.

Yoder, Mrs. William (Sarah), 71, #1 Bremen, Indiana

died at 3:55 a.m. in Bremen Community Hospital, where she was a patient one day. She had been ill two years. Born July 30, 1909 in Weatherford, Okla., she married William C. Yoder Sr., December 23, 1926, who survives.

Also surviving are six sons, Enos Yoder, El Dorado, Ark., Levi Yoder, Sarasota, Fla., William C. Yoder J... #1 Bremen, Ezra Yoder, Stratton, Colo., Rudy Yoder, Union, Mich., and Clarence Yoder, Bennett, Colo.; four daughters, Mrs. Elizabeth Yoder, Union Grove, Ala., Mrs. Eli (Katie) Miller, Haven, Kan., Mrs. Ben (Martha) Thomas, Goshen, and Mrs. Marvin (Sarah Marie) Miller, Bremen; 44 grandchildren; 28 great-grandchildren; three brothers, Enos and Joes Mast both of Leon, Iowa and John of Weatherford, Okla. and two sisters Mrs. Barbara Diener, Nappanee, and Mrs. Levi (Melinda) Chupp, South Bend. A son, a brother, a sister, two grandchildren and two great-grandchildren preceded her in death.

Funeral services were held 9:30 a.m. Monday at the Mahlon Bontrager residence, with Bishop Mahlon Bontrager and Harvey Stutzman. Burial in Weldy Cemetery.

Zook, Jonathan, 88, 423 Gridley Rd., Lancaster, Penna.

a lengthy illness. He was a retired self-employed farmer and carpenter and was a member of the Old Order Amish Church. Born in East Lampeter Township, he was a son of the late Jonas and Elizabeth (Fisher) Zook.

Surviving are his widow, Katie (Zook) Zook and the following children: Rebecca (Zook) Swarey, Belleville; Lydia, wife of Joseph B. King, Lancaster; David, Christiana; Annie; wife of Omar B. Stoltzfus, Pine Grove; Daniel, Lancaster; Katie, wife of Amos S. Lapp, Strasburg #1; 47 grandchildren; 91 great-grandchildren; three step-grandchildren; and a brother, John Zook, Belleville.

Funeral services were held Tuesday morning, September 30 at

9:00 a.m. Burial at Beilers Cemetery.

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### **CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS**

### Seneca Falls, New York - Mrs. Noah S. Byler

In August we had very little rain and it was quite warm and dry. So far in September we had some over an inch of rain. It is still pretty dry. But has cooled off quite a bit during the nights, but warms up during the day.

Men are busy filling silo and they also have the 3rd cut hay all in.

### Norfolk, New York - Ben Schwartz

This fall month of September we had about  $3\frac{1}{2}$  inches of rain. Silo filling started about the 10th and seems to be a good crop (corn. Our first frost for the season was here on the 23rd which is about average. We had a lot of watermelons. This year the garden did very good. Our potatoes were very nice in size. But they had scabs all over. If anyone would know a remedy to cure this, please write to me at this address: #2, Norfolk, New York.

### Clymer, New York - Walter Troyer

Weather in September was very nice and warm men are working on school houses and filling silo fields in good condition Corn is a very good crop. Dairy cows still high with high cow at average \$1800.00. Beef in about same at 52 cents.

### Conewango Valley, New York - Mose D. Stutzman

We had good showers the first of September and again light rains the middle of the month. Then it was cooler and the locusts quit singing. So far nice fall weather with a bit frost at places the 29th.

Most of silos were filled the lastweek or 2. Corn isof good quality and size. Some late husking corn is barely ready for frost. Trees are getting beautiful.

### Nittany Valley, Henry M. Glick

September weather continues to be warm and dry. We are having one sunny day after the other. We had ½ inch of rain the 1st and on the 5th and again on the 14th. Have very nice weather the rest of September. The 25th we had six tenth of an inch of rain again. Good weather to fill silo which is a good crop. Water supply is getting very critical low. Total rain: 2 and one tenth, low temperature: 39 degrees. No frost as yet.

### Centre County [Brush Valley], Pennsylvania - David B. Stoltzfus

In a few words, September was mostly warm and dry. Total rainfall amounted to three and one fourth inches, but never enough to delay silo filling as the ground is quite dry. On the coldest morning September 28, light frost was seen some places. Most silos were filled during September. Locally, corn is almost an average crop, except in some areas the stalks are shorter than usual, taking more acres to fill the silos.

### Montour County, Pennsylvania - Amos R. Stoltzfus

The weather in September was warm except the last few days were a bit chilly, with the north winds, blowing pretty hard at times, also chilly mornings with temperature between 35 and 40 degrees. We had a few little showers this month which was about 2 inches altogether. A lot of silo filling was done, there was also alot of lime spread in September, due to dry weather. Some corn was picked, and some wheat sowed.

### Millersburg, [Dauphin County] Pa. - Mrs. Benuel B. Fisher

Still dry and warm. Weather was mostly very warm until the 15th was cool hardly any rain until the 25th it was damp and 282

showers all day. The coldest for the month was 36 degrees on the 29th

Most of the silo filling is done. Corn is being picked for high moisture silo, and starting to pick crib corn. Garden produce and canning is about over except the late things in garden. Haven't seen any frost yet. Women are house cleaning.

### Lebanon County, Pa. - Levi S. King

Warm and dry through most of September with only about 1.8 inches of rain and still no frost. Field work seems to be about a week to 10 days earlier then usual. Silo filling is about over except for a few who planted late, with most reports being it took more acres to fill them this year. Seems like ear corn will only make about ½ as much as usual here at the northern part of the county, where farther south they had more rain and better crops.

### Lancaster County [Bareville area], Penna. - Levi L. Stoltzfus

Rain fall for September was 1 inch.

Market Report: Choice fat steers, \$78.35—\$74.00 cwt.; feeder steers, \$60.00—\$82.25 cwt.; fat hogs, \$47.50—\$52.50; 40 pound feeder pigs \$57.00—\$88.00 cwt.; prime veal \$113.00—\$125.00 cwt.; dairy cows at New Holland \$950.00—\$2450.00; leghorn fowl \$.08 lb.; heavy, \$.12—\$.32 lb.; pullets \$.46 lb.; ducks \$.80—\$.96 lb.; guines \$1.86 lb.; potatoes retail \$9.00—\$10.00 lb; new ear corn \$73.00—\$85.00 ton; old ear corn \$97.00—\$133.00 ton, by bu. \$3.85; wheat \$4.32; barley \$2.50 bu.; oats \$2.00 bu.; hay \$40.00—\$142.00 ton: straw \$40.00—\$71.00 ton; large eggs \$.75—\$.60 doz.; milk—13.47 for 3.5 test

### St. Marys County, Maryland - Susie Stoltzfus

September had mostly sunny weather till the 10th, when we got four tenth of an inch of much appreciated rain. Another three tenth of an inch on the 18th and again the 24th. The next day seven tenth of an inch. So now it isn't so dry anymore, although it was fit to work in fields right after each rain, except the last.

On the morning of the 27th, the temperature was down to 44 degrees. That seemed quite chilly. It was also in the 40 degrees the next two mornings, but went up to the 40's during the day.

Some people have started husking corn, while others have none left to husk. Men are sowing barley, etc. The fall work is early.

### Oakland, Maryland - Mrs. Atlee Hershberger

Weather for September was mostly nice clear days and nice to get fall work done. The 23rd it was a rainy day but has turned nicer with frost the last 3 mornings. But no killing frost yet. We had an unusual summer with lots of thunder showers and also warmer then usual. Silo filling is being done.

### Dover, Delaware - Neil N. Hershberger

The month was a pleasant one, with both temperature and precipatation near normal. High temperature for the month was 84 degrees on the 22nd. Low was 38 degrees on the 27th. Total rainfall for the month was 4.6 inches.

Most silos are full, field corn mostly on shock with a very good corn crop. Farmers are preparing seed bed for fall grain.

The first flock of wild geese that we saw return from the north was on Tuesday eve, September 22nd. Many thousands have returned since. They stay around this area all winter.

### York County, Pa. - Andrew H. Beiler

September brought us some more warm dry weather. We had seven tenth of an inch of rain the first. It was cold with some showers early on the morn of the 5th, three tenth of an inch the night of the 9th, three tenth of an inch the 17th and seven tenth of an inch the 25th. It was some cooler the last few nights with a low of 42 degrees. It was dryer and warmer to fill silo this year than I ever remember of before. Even with the dry summer, we had enough rain at the right time to make a pretty good corn crop, and have enough in silo to last till the next crop should be ready. And have 20 acrés left to pick. We have much to be thankful for.

### Perry County, Pa. - Amos M. Stoltzfus

We had a few showers the first week totaling about ½ inch and not much more rain the rest of September. We had some cloudy weather. On the mornings of the 27th, 28th and 29th, we nearly had frost and temperatures about 38 degrees. The silo filling is going pretty good. The corn is short although the ears filled out nicely. Canning is about done.

### McClure [Snyder County], Pa. - John Y. Speicher

September was very dry some very warm days with 90 degrees temperature, then Wednesday eve the 17th, we had a heavy rain with some hail. It was then cooler for a few days, temperature Saturday morning, the 27th was down to 32 degrees, with a light frost in low spots, Then the 25th, it was damp and drizzled most of the day. Then real windy Friday the 26th. Some corn fields are yielding real good while others are just fair. At this writing, September 30th the sky is heavily clouded, looks like rain. Some wheat, rye and barley is up nice. Still some to sow. Corn husking has also started. October 1, very heavy fog this morning.

### Mifflin County, Pa. - Catherine Swarey

September was a warm and dry month, summer weather with highest temperature in the 90's and lowest in the 40's. From 1 to 2 inches of rainfall varying in different places. Wheat is sowed and some is coming up. Corn is dying fast. Many silos filled. Some have begun to husk corn.

### Southern Snyder County, Pa. - Sam M. Troyer

September was another dry month. We had around two inches of rain in a half a dozen showers and a couple of light frosts. Wheat sowing is about done but I haven't seen any up yet. Our corn is in the shock, crops in general have been surprisingly good for as dry as it is. There are lots of apples. And we still have a few fence corner peaches to eat.

### Juniata County, Pa. - David Y. Renno

The weather here was warm and dry. A little over one inch of rainfall this month. And we have had no frosts yet.

People sowed their fall seeding in the dust. And are picking corn earlier then usual. We had several spells of cloudy weather, with east winds, which produced very little rain. Some wells are getting low and flushing springs are low but still running out some. Grass is partly green yet.

### Gettysburg [Adams County], Pa. - Elizabeth A. Stoltzfus

September was a month with dry weather and pleasant days. There were only 4 days with measurable rainfall, bringing the total for the month to 1.6 inch. Yes, it's been a dry summer but the year of 1966 was worse by far. Farmers are filling silos, which takes more acreage to fill silos and we will have none left to pick this year, but we're not the only ones. We got all our silos filled here at home, but won't have enough corn to fill the new one where one of the boys live. This is the last day of September and it's very cloudy this morn. Our coldest morn was on September 27, when it was 38 degrees.

### Meyersdale [Somerset County], Pa. - Mary A. Kinsinger

Our weather in September has been on the dry side but we do have some showers once in awhile. Our amount was about 3 or  $3\frac{1}{2}$  inches for the month. It's beginning to feel very fall like, especially at night. On the 26th, we had a frost but nothing was harmed from it here. It hit harder at the lower places, as we are well surrounded by woods. Silo filling is on the go. Gardens are being cleaned out.

### Crawford County, Pa. - Menno E. Fisher

We had exceptionally nice weather through most of September. Good weather to make the last of the hay, the men filled the silos easily and quickly compared to some years. Corn is a fair crop, and it will soon be ready to pick. Temperatures were mostly comfortable, high was 84 degrees, low was 31 degrees on the 27th, no noticeable frost damage. Total rainfall for the month, 2.46 inches. Lots of clear blue skies with white fluffy clouds. Apples are plentiful.

### Mercer County, Pa. - Dan J. Troyer

September was not so wet. Quite a bit of second crop hay was put in the first week. The 9th we had six tenth of an inch, Saturday night the 14th we had hard thundering and lightning nearly all night with  $2^{1}/_{2}$  inches of rain. The 15th it rained another  $^{1}/_{2}$  inch. The last half of the month only had about one tenth of an inch and the last week was mostly sunny days and cooler nights but no frost. Low temperature was 38 degrees. Silos are mostly filled. Corn is drying out fast. No husking done yet except what is needed for feeding.

### Southern Mercer County, Pa. - Mrs. E. H. Kurtz

September was a nice sunshiny month for field work for the farmers. Silos being filled and hay hauled in. Some farmers have started to husk corn.

Our warmest day was on the 13th when it was up to 84 degrees, but got cloudy in the eve and had an electrical storm when 2 horses were killed owned by Preacher Jonathan D. Byler and 2 cows owned by Ralph McFarland. It kept on thundering and lightning most of the night and also rained. Since that only a couple light showers. The coldest morning on the 27th when it was down to 38 degrees and possibly lower down in the valleys. Have no reports on beef but fat hogs were up from \$2.00 to \$2.50 with highest price at \$51.50 per hundred. Feeder pigs were up \$5.00 with highest price \$62.00 and lowest at \$48.00 per hundred for number ones and number twos lower grades slightly less.

### Geauga County, Ohio - Eli E. Miller

September was a beautiful fall month. Just enough rain to keep things green. Silos are about full, with corn a good crop. Field corn is drying fast. Winter crops are mostly sown.

Farmers are busy getting wood in and catching up on repair

jobs.

Feeder pig prices are going up with tops at last sale around 90 cents a pound.

Egg prices are up a little. Milk is about \$12. cwt. at cheese plant. Good dairy cows are high.

### Eastern Holmes County - Raymond S. Weaver

September began warm and pleasant. Then some rain and cooler, followed by another warm spell and the latter part was cool again. The first frost came morning of the 27th but not a hard one. September was very pleasant. Ground was rather dry to work with but most of the wheat is sown. We had only slightly over an inch of rain through the month.

### Holmes County, Ohio - John H. Yoder

For September we had a good 2 inches of rain. And at this writing it is pretty well on the dry side. People are working in the ground. Some are sowing wheat, some have started to husk corn on the stalks. Some fields are dotted with corn shocks. Very cool nights and warms up through the day. Very nice fall weather. A lot of Communion Churches now.

### South Eastern Holmes County, Ohio - John L. Yoder

For September we had quite a bit less rain then the previous month. Wheat about all sowed. Silo filling coming to a close. Corn about ready to husk with exceptions of late plantings. Apples are plentiful. Cattle and hog prices about the same. Some advance in pig prices.

### Western Tuscarawas County, Ohio - Jonas Borntrager

Some hay is still being made as weather permits. Silos are nearly all filled. Wheat and speltz are being sown. There's plenty of fall pasture and lots of garden vegetables. Apples are plentiful.

Corn is drying fast and will soon be ready to husk. Some is on shock. We had a light frost September 27, but no damage.

Hog prices at 50 cents.

### Ashland County, Ohio - Ammon A. Troyer

September was a beautiful month with two and four tenth inches of rain. Silos are all filled, a little hay to make yet, some corn is being shocked and is about ready to be cribbed.

Abe D. Troyer of #1 Ashland, Ohio 44805 makes and seels a hemorroid salve called A. D. T. which a lot of people use with success, is also good for a lot of other ailments, he gets letters from a lot of people that are well pleased with it.

### LaGrange County, Indiana - Anna D. Eash

September's weather was somewhat normal fall weather. Some 80 degree days and a low of 42 degrees. Fire felt good a few mornings. However usually warmed up beautifully during the day. We had a heavy thunderstorm on Labor Day morning. Lightning struck the big barn on Chris Slabach farm causing a big loss, including 3 heifers, hay and straw. They have built a new one already. We also had a severe storm (some hail) on Monday P. M. the 22nd. Electric power was off a few hours.

Some silos being filled, wheat being sowed, etc. Women are finishing canning, etc.

There are many weddings going on. And also some sickness and

funerals.

Some children had a turn of whooping cough but seems it is easing up. God is great and greatly to be praised. Presently the weather is well described by saying it is "beautiful."

### Daviess County, Indiana - Elizabeth Mae Raber

The month of September was still quite warm, altho we had some cool nights already. We had 8 days that the temperature was 90 degrees or more with a high of 96 degrees on the 9th. Low temperature for the month was 42 degrees on the 27th. We had 3.3 inches of rainfall. Corn is a fair crop thru here, some has been picked for those that use dryers, but not much corn husked to crib otherwise, altho some are husking to feed.

Sorghum is good this year, quite a bit has been cooked.

Apples are very plentiful this year, some fall apples have been picked.

### Kokomo, Indiana - Ivan J. Gingerich

September was more on the dry side but we did have light showers weekly. We had very pleasent weather for working. On the 21st, temperature reached to 90 again and by evening we had another nice shower. Most of the people were glad that it was warmer again. The last part of the as it was needed to ripen the tomatoes and melons. Most people had enough vegetables to can but we just didn't have the extra amount we had the others years. Late potatoes produced about as below average as the early ones, but sweet potatoes did extra well. Tomatoes for many was a below average crop but fruit trees all seemed to bear in abundance. Lots of beans have been harvested.

### Lovington, Illinois - Henry R. Yoder

The month of September was warm and mostly sunny with also plenty of moisture, average rainfall. We had a cold spell the 4th week, but not frost.

Corn is drying fast and several are harvesting. Silo's are filled. The soybean crop is 70% harvested according to the manager of the local elevator. The yield is short from last year. According to the estimate at the elevator it would be as much as 20% shorter in some areas.

Corn is also sorta spotted with some fields cut as much as 50% or more. Other fields going over the 100 mark. The price was increasing till the last four days it was dropping. I suppose the speculation is the cause of most of it.

Cattle haven't changed much, if anything down but not much. Hogs the same way. Top cattle \$70.00 at last report and fat hogs

\$49.00 to \$51.00.

### Guthrie, Kentucky - Jesse D. Peachey

Our drought ended on September 21st when we had about 1½ inches of rain, and again on the 23rd. Was mostly cloudy and sometimes drizzling again. Temperature has moderated considerably too, with a low of 50 on 27th. Corn harvest is fast coming to an end, while some have a lot of beans cut already. Harvest was early and didn't last very long. Corn yield was about ½ from last year and beans not much better. This rain may help some on late beans.

### Marion, Kentucky - Samuel Hertzler

The weather was dry and warm until the middle of the month. The temperature being in the upper ninties on most days. At the middle of the month we had  $1^{1/2}$  inches of rain and cooler. Ten days later we again had  $1^{1/2}$  inches of rain with mostly cloudy and cooler since. Several mornings as low as 50 degrees.

Pasture fields are green again, and garden planting such as lettuce and radished are up and growing.

Farmers are getting ready to plant fall grains, and cooking sorghum molasses.

### Hollow Rock, [Huntingdon area] Tennessee - Mrs. Rudy Troyer

The first half of the month was dry. We had no measurable amount of rain. But the last half brought several nice showers. Weather was still warm. No shoes needed for comfort.

August is still very warm. Daytime temperatures rose to 100 degrees and over much of the time, but nights have been a little cooler the last week and a half. The first half of the month brought us three showers amounting to a total of a good 1½ inches of rain. The last half of the month has been getting drier and drier.

Fat hogs price is \$47.25.

### Ethridge, Tennessee - Mrs. Moses J. Gingerich

September was dry and warm up until the last half week we had nice rains and cooler. Much cane is being cooked, corn is on shocks. Peanuts are ready to harvest. Tobacco is being cut.

### Audrian County, Missouri - Samuel D. Beachy

First part of August we had a nice rain which was very greatly appreciated. But then later in month it got very dry and warm in daytime but cooler nights, which again was very hard on crops. A number of silos were filled in August already, in 100 degrees weather. The first of September we again had several inches of rain and again some on the 8th, leaving the pasture in better condition then they were most of the summer, tractor farmers are harvesting corn with very low yields, some finding it not worth harvesting. It looks as the Amish have better corn then the tractor farmers. Later planting is one reason and also use less fertilizer. It turned out to be plenty of peaches available, and also apples.

### Windsor, Missouri - Mrs. Menno Hershberger

September brought us cooler weather, mostly in the 40's and 50's in the mornings, and dropping to 37 degrees the 26th. A heavy fog, this morning, the 30th. Have had 4 inches of rain since my last writing, bringing our total rainfall to more than 18 inches since August 4th.

My fall planting of green beans are real crisp and tender, but worms have been a real threat to them, and outsiders have been spraying soybeans to save their crops. (from worms) Cane sorghum grew so much since the beginning of our August rains. Therefore not maturing so early this year. Have cooked and sold several hundred gallons so far, to retailers. No frost damage done over full moon this month, so we should be thru cooking before too much chance of frost next month. We cook for others also.

### Seymour [Webster County], Missouri - Menno D. Schwartz

September 30, still dry, we didn't have much farming to do since hay making in June. That way we didn't have so much work to do. No extra second cutting hay, only one time lawn mowing, not every week, like somebody had wrote. No walnuts, didn't mature. I am not bragging on how nice we had it. But we need to Thank the Lord for what we had!

Some wheat has been sowed, also some rye grass for pasture. The heat wave has been broken, but only about a week ago it

was warm enough to have the windows, all open all night.

A lot of hay is being hauled in through here. Some alfalfa from S. D., the bales weighing a ton. This area has a lot of cattle, both dairy and beef. Milk is a good price, \$12.80 for grade A, \$11.50 on grade B, we sell B milk.

Some trees are dying from the drought.

### Jamesport, Missouri - Amos W. Yoder

Over 5 inches of rain in August and 7 inches in September makes the grass grow again after the dry weather last summer. Some corn looks fair while many stalks don't have anything. Late planted beans look pretty good since the rain.

### LaPlata, Missouri - Mrs. Mose M. Borntreger

The first week of September brought us some rain, probably around an inch. Was very rainy and some windy on the 16th. The rest of the time was mostly sunny and pleasant. Had some 90 degrees temperature the 6th, 7th and 8th, then cooled off. Some very light frost was reportedly seen on the 26th, but we hadn't noticed any that morn, and had 38 degrees. Today it was around 74 degrees.

Most of the silage has been made in this area, some left yet. This will be a busy week, as Harley Yoders and us are switching farms, he wants to go on with the sawmill and we'd like to go to milking. So I suppose everybody will be happy when we're both settled again.

### Marshfield, Missouri - Ruben Yoder

There isn't much to report on crops because there aren't any due to dry weather. We did get 1/2 in the first week of September. The third week we received 11/2 inches which was the best rain we had since the middle of June that turned the pasture fields a different color. But we don't have enough for winter pasture.

Alot of people are buying and feeding hay now. Good hay sells for \$125.00 a ton. Hogs reached \$50 cwt and feeder pigs \$100. cwt.

### Reno County [Partridge Area], Kansas - Edward A. Mast

Like the rest of the summer, September averaged warmer than normal. The first three weeks most of the days hit the 90 degrees with the 21st at about 100 degrees, the first day of fall. The last week was cooler.

The soil moisture is sufficient to germinate the wheat that is being sowed. Not much, wheat was sowed real early for pasture, because of army worms. Those that planted before the 20th had to replant. Seeding is about  $\frac{2}{3}$  done at month end.

### Haven [Reno County], Kansas - Mrs. E. E. Schrock

We had warm days again since the rains. Farmers are busy getting fields ready and sowing wheat. Silo filling has started, too.

### Garnett, Kansas - Edward H. Yoder

September was very warm and still pretty dry, temperature at times well over 100 degrees. Also had some rains but it takes quite a bit to soak the earth. Less then 5% was estimated.

Harvestable of all corn for grain, quite a few soybeans will go in silos and hay due to drought and worms. Some wheat has been sowed. Grass is growing better again.

### Johnson County, Iowa - Eli S. Borntrager

Corn has ripened off very fast but some is down from the wind. We've had possibly 5 or 6 inches of rain in September and more in August. Our warm weather has let up since about September the 8th. The early farmers have started shelling corn. The report on one field made 120 and soybeans are also about really. One farmer has combined and had a yield of 45 bushel an acre. Temperature at 32 degrees on the 26th.

### Buchanan County, Iowa - Joe A. Yoder

For the month of September with plenty of rainfall, also cooler weather for the last part. A few light frosts, but no damage except nipped a few garden things. Mechanic farmers have started to pick corn to go in dryers. Horse farmers are busy cutting and thrashing beans. Which looks to be a good crop and yields good.

### Utica, Minnesota - Atlee J. Shetler

We had a lot of moisture the first half of September. On the 17th we had a light frost but no damage. The week of the 22nd we again had frosts a few mornings and some of the corn and beans were froze but think most of it was out of danger. Not much sunshine throughout the whole month. Silo filling has begun.

### Harmony, Minnesota - Mrs. Chriss Stutzman

August started in as a dry month, but we had plenty moisture to the end. Oats thrashing was delayed on account of wet weather.

September was warm the first few weeks, quite cool the last week or so with plenty rain. A little frost on the 18th.

### Wilton, Wisconsin - Jacob D. Hochstetler

September was wetter than average. Pastures and hay fields are really growing yet. Had 2 light frosts. Most of things are nipped by frost, still tomatoes to eat out of garden also cabbage, kohl-rubi, etc. A lot of silos are being filled. Corn seems to be a good crop again. Quite a bit of 3rd crop alfalfa is being made. Not too much 2nd crop was made on account of rainy weather.

### Cashton, Wisconsin - Joe C. Borntreger

The weather throughout September was mostly quite rainy, with some drying weather, enough that some thrashing and haying was done. Some corn is being cut and shocked as the hay crop was a little short due to the dry weather we had the first part of July, oats were a fair crop, corn also looks like a good crop.

### Chetek, Wisconsin - Mrs. Henry Lehman

The month of September was rather damp and rainy. Altho there were some nice sunny days. Was pretty hard to get all the oats thrashed. Fields are pretty soft at some places to get the corn out for silo filling which has started. We had out 1st light frost September 17th which was earlier than usual. The 26th we had a hard frost with a temperature of 24 degrees.

Milk price is up to \$13.52 a hundred at present.

### Amherst, Wisconsin - Mrs. L. J. Borntrager

September was unusual rainy with thundershowers now and then. Also had several frosts, but no killing frosts yet. Menfolks are filling silo. Gardens did real well and are almost at their end.

### Bronson, Michigan - Ora A. Graber

The month has been quite warm with only a few cool days. Above average rainfall, and had a severe windstorm on the 23rd, blowing down more trees, and also quite a bit of damage to corn This was the 4th severe windstorm we had this summer, quite unusual for here, with all the unusual weather, the crops waiting gardens produced real well. We're waiting for a good freeze to lay to sleep some of our annoying friends, the mosquitoes, which were numerous this summer.

### St. Marys, Ontario - Abe Hochstetler

September is leaving us with nice weather. People are winding up the white bean harvest, which was some delayed by damp, wet weather earlier. Silos are mostly filled, with good crop altho corn was damaged some with corn bore and root worms. A few light frosts lately. Enough rains for exceptional good growing conditions.

### Norwich, Ontario - Levi D. Stutzman

August was warm with 3.2 inches of rain. Grain yielded very good this year. Straw was long which caused a lot of flat grain.

Above normal temperatures continued into September, with frequent rains, total for was 4.4 inches. The last part of the month was cool with different touches of frost. Our coolest was 35 degrees on the 27th with a little damage in low spots. Most of the corn is ready for frost.

### Wingham, Ontario - Barbara Gingerich

September has been mostly cool. The first half of the month was mostly sunny, since, we've had between 3 and 4 inches of rain. Had our first frost the 25th, and another on the 27th, although not everything was frozen. Corn was ready for frost, and should be ready to husk in a few weeks. Silo filling is in full swing. Gardens and crops have produced abundantly this year, for which we are thankful.

Fat hogs are up to between .70 and .80.

### Reunion in Heaven

When the Glorified Redeemer
Come to take His people Home;
When the resurrection trumpet
Breaks the silence of the tomb;
When the Son of Glory rises,
When the Light of Life appears,
There will be such glad surprises
When He wipes away our tears.



Friends we mourned so much at parting,
We shall then again embrace;
From the earth in beauty starting,
Oh, how dear each well-known face!
When we laid them down in sorrow,
Then our hearts were full of pain,
But the resurrection morrow
Shall restore our loved again.

There shall be a true relation

To the bodies that were sown;

Though a change shall pass upon them

Like a seed whose germ has grown;

For anew We shall be fashioned

To the image of our Lord;

By His mighty power uplifted

With Identity restored.

Col.3:10; ICor.13:12

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# Bia Smoke Mountain

# CONTINUED FROM LAST MONTH

The next time he was set astride of the horse he exerted himself to retain his seat, and succeeded better than he had expected. But at length a

terrific jump sent him flying once more.

While the Comanches were trying to get the horse under control again, the brute became tangled in their ropes and fell heavily to the ground. The fall must have stunned him. For after he got up, and Oscar sitting on his back again, for the first time the mustang did not jump. Now Oscar's feet were tied together just like Zally's had been tied. Then the ropes were taken off the animals neck, and the Comanches ran back.

They doubtless expected to witness some lively bucking, but were disappointed. The horse stood still. Two or three approached and prodded him with their lances. He gave a sudden bound, then dashed toward the drove, with Oscar still clinging to his back. Nor did the flying steed stop

order, with Oscar still conging to his back. No until far out among the other horses.

Oscar kept his hands locked in the luxuriant mane. And it was well for him to be on his guard; for out in the drove some of the wild spirit entered into the brute again, and he was suddenly attacked by another fit of bucking.

"Hang on tight, Oscar! Hang on as tight as you can! He won't keep it

up long!" yelled Zally, who was sitting on the grazing horse not more than fifty yards away.

Oscar did hang on. Several times he seemed about to slide head down the animals lowered neck. But the rope on his feet and his grip on the

mane kept him in place. The horse soon stopped and went on grazing.

Now Oscar breathed freely once more. But not for a moment did he let
go the mane; and he scarcely dared to move lest he should set the wild brute

to jumping again.

"You're all right now!" Zally called out, encouragingly. "That nag has got about all he wants. He's liable to jump a few jumps any minute, though. You mustn't let 'im take you by surprise. You're safe if he don't git you down. But if he does that, its all over with you, jist the same as it is with me!"

Has your norse quit-" Oscar began. But frightened by the voice on his back, the horse under Oscar gave a bound and ran several yards.

All the red men had mounted, and now came galloping toward the drove, ready to begin the day's march. With many whoops and screeches, they soon rounded up the scattered, grazing animals in a compact mass, and put them in motion. And far out in the midst of the trampling drove rode the two captives, tied fast to their horses.

Zally and Oscar were a good distance apart at first. But Zally, who was behind, kept urging his horse forward till only twenty or thirty yards separated them.

"What will become of us, Zally, do you think?" Oscar almost whispered, for fear of startling the horse under him.

"Don't you feel down-hearted, Oscar! We'll watch our chances; and the first thing the redskins know, we'll be ridin' these here horses t'wards home as hard as we can clatter!"

"Do you s'pose we really can?"

"Of course we can—I know we can! You just wait and see. We're improvin' a little other ways too. This ain't all that heart could wish; but it beats footin' it, out of sight, like we did yisterday."

"I don't know so well about that Zally. I'd rather walk. I'm afraid of

is brute."

"Well, I'm not afraid of mine. I stayed with him while he was doing his worst, and I can stay with 'im ag'in! You'd better watch out though. You're not used to such wild nags. They're both apt to take ugly fits before the days half gone."

This prediction proved true. Oscar's horse went through several brief bucking spells during the forenoon. But, by being constantly on his guard and clutching the mene hard, the boy escaped being thrown. Zally's horse was even worse.

When at length the cavalcade had halted on a prairie for a noonday rest, the horses were allowed to scatter out to graze. The Comanches dismounted in the shade of some hackberry trees, but the two captives were left sitting on their skittish steeds, out in the grazing drove.

"Plague on their ugly pickchers! Do they low we can live without eatin, and drinkin?" exclaimed Zally, rather loudly. For he and Oscar were now more than a hundred yards apart.

"Maybe our Indian will think of us before long," suggested Oscar,

hopefully, hungrily.

"Bully for old Scarface if he does!"

But in that they were disappointed. Not an Indian came near them and not a bite did they have for dinner. After an hour or two the cavalcade got under

The weather was pleasant—very fine, in fact. But for the knowledge that they were captives, marching to they knew not what fate, the boys would have enjoyed this journey through the wilderness. Even as it was, they could not help admiring the splendid scenes that greeted their eyes from every high point—glades and groves and wooded streams. There were many wild animals, too. The country was alive with game. Besides droves of mustangs, deer and antelopes and little "bunches" of buffaloes were frequently taking to flight from the marching cavalcade.

The animals the captives were riding gave very little trouble during the afternoon; but long before night the boys had begun to suffer with thirst. At length, when the sun was not very high, the Indians turned aside from their course, which was along the top of a prairie-ridge, and marched down to the timber-bordered stream. The horses scattered along and crowded down the banks into the water, to drink.

As it happened, the two horses bearing the captives went down the same buffalo path, Oscar's in the lead. Both animals were thirsty, and plunged breast deep into a pool. While the horses were drinking, Oscar and Zally

were also quenching their thirst, dipping up water with their hands.

Having drank their fill, most of the horses turned and climbed back up the bank. But nearly a hundred head, including the two the captives were riding,

crossed the stream and went out on the far side.

very cautious tones. "We'd tell our redskins goodby so quick it would make heir heads swim!"

Oscar jumped at the suggestion. "We don't have to have bridles, do we? If we had some pieces of rope, couldn't we do like the Indians?"

A few of the Comanches had both bridles and saddles; and some had one without the other. But most of them used only a buffalo-robe tied around the horse for a saddle—several had nothing at all—and pieces of buffalo-hide

around the horse's under jaw for a bridle. "That's right. Maybe we could. Yes, of course. And if we just had these

bes loose-

After a cautious glance toward the creek, Zally leaned over and attacked the knot at his right ankle. But before he could untie it, he heard Oscar say:

Knot at his right ankle, but belo

"Look out! There they come!" Zally straightened up quickly. But, fearing that the three approaching savages might have seen him, he again leaned over and worked at his ankle, as if adjusting the rope. One Indian did seem suspicious; but, after assuring himself that Zally was still tied on the horse, he and his companions rounded up all the animals and drove them back toward the creek. The party were going to camp on the other side.

"We'll wait for a better chance," Zally found an opportunity to say, as

their horses were climbing the creek-bank.

Leaving the drove grazing in the valley, all but two of the red men rode half a mile or so up the creek and went into camp. Smoke was presently seen floating upward from their camp-fires.

"Wonder if they're going to leave us on these horses all night as well as all

day," said Oscar, anxiously, after the Comanches had gone.

"Hope not—I mean I hope they will. If they do, and we ain't miles and miles from here before the sun rises ag'in, my name's not Zally Pegg!"

But several of the Comanches soon returned to catch fresh horses for the next day's riding. Two of them pushed into the herd and drove out the animals the captives were on. At the herd's outer edge, several of the warriors roped the two horses and held them, while others untied the white boys and took them off.

Oscar and Zally were soon on the way to the camp, being marched along on foot before the mounted Indians. At the camp they were not tied, but the scar-faced Comanche made signs that they should keep close to him. This they were glad to do, following the big savage around like two little dogs, as Zally expressed it, disgustedly. But both were very hungry; and they were dependent on this guardian of theirs for something to eat.

When the fifteen or twenty hunters who had gone out came back with their game, there was an abundance of meat, and the captives received all they wanted.

"Wisht we had a little bite of bread with this," remarked Zally, while they were eating. "A piece baked out of the meal that we pounded that last day would taste mighty good about now. These Comanche fellers don't seem to eat anything but just meat, meat, meat!"

# CHAPTER 5

Oscar could not answer at first. The mere mention of his home had prought on an attack of homesickness, and tears stood in his eyes.

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"If we could only have foreseen what was coming that day!" he said, sadly. "But now we shall never pound any more corn."

"What's the reason we won't?" demanded his companion in captivity. "Uv course we will! We'll be right back there in a few weeks, I guess, workin' away as hard as we can work. I'll help you beat up a few bushels first; then you can go over and help me. I've got to fix up our sweep a little, unless pap fixes it while I'm off on this little trip. When we git back home."

So he talked on. It was a brave attempt to keep up their courage. For nobody realized better than Zally how many perils lurked between their present actual captivity and their longed-for, hoped-for freedom.

The boys remained by a camp-fire till the Indians had begun to spread down their buffalo robes. Then their keeper took them off to one side and tied them down, as usual, each hand and each foot to a separate bush; and he himself slept near them. They were released at daylight, and ate their breakfast among the Indians.

The horses that Zally and Oscar had ridden the day before had been turned loose into the drove. When the band were getting ready to start, two others were brought up, evidently for the captives to ride. One was a remarkably vicious-looking animal.

"Oh, Zally, I can't ride that ugly brute!" Oscar whispered. "If they fasten me an him, he'll be sure to kill me!"

Before Zally could answer, a Comanche seized Oscar by the arm and pushed him along toward that very horse. When near enough, he picked the boy up. But before he could lift him upon the horse, the savage brute made a lunge to get away, and struggled so hard that he almost succeeded. When the horse had been subdued, the Indian again started to lift Oscar upon his back.

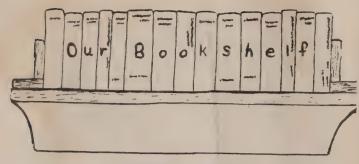
But Zally, seeing his fellow-captive's terror, ran up to the Comanche, and by pointing first to himself and then to the horse, made it known that

he wanted to ride that particular animal.

The warrior turned angrily, resenting the interference. But Zally's good riding of the day before had won him friends, and twenty voices from the crowd called out something and kept repeating it. Doubtless they were demanding that his request be granted, for he was seized and seated on the animal.

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The harvest is past, and the reapers are gone, The summer is ended, I sorrow alone: God's mercies and judgments were slighted by me, And now for deliverance no hope I can see The harvest is past and the wheat all returned, And so with the chaff I am doomed to be burned; All warning of danger I madly outbraved; The summer is ended, and I am not saved.

THE SUMMER IS ENDED

"The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we are not saved."

The harvest is past, and my soul in despair Must dwell with the lost and their agonies share; in deep desolation I mourn at the last, For bleak is my future, the harvest is past. The harvest is past, I must part with my friends, Forever with them companionship ends With darkness around me, I feel the dread blast Of God's indignation — the harvest is past.

> O, that I could now in memory forget, But no, I am filled with eternal regret As I think of the seasons of mercy and grace
> As I think of the seasons of mercy and grace
> I remember the Spirit that strove with me then,
> And called me to Jesus again and again;
> I think of the promises frequently made;
> Alas! to fulfill them I always delayed.

I remember the prayers and the tears that were shed That I in my youth to the cross might be led; I think of the loved ones who pleaded with me,
Whose faces no more I'm permitted to see.
I think now of Heaven and the friends who are there,
Oh, memory, why dost thou enlarge my despair?
If with those dear loved ones my lot I had cast,
I now would be saved — but the harvest is past.

Oh, sorrow of sorrows, eternally great, On, sorrow or sorrows, eternally great, I'd now accept mercy, but it's entirely too late; God's justice on me is exacted at last, I have my reward, and the harvest is past. Though banished from God, in this torment to dwell, If prayers for the erring could rise up from hell, I'd groan out petitions for ages to come.

Selected by Mary Anne Barton Ripon, California

### **COMMUNITY NOTES**

### McRae, Arkansas - Father killed in logging accident

On the afternoon of October 8th, at 2:30 p.m., David M. Miller, age 40 yr. and 8 mo., was killed when hit on the shoulders and spine by a falling tree, while logging in woods for another fellow in South Western White County. He had hung one tree into another, and tried to cut off the tree in the bottom of the jam-up when they apparently twisted and fell right on him.

His oldest son, Leon, was working in the same woods, close by, but did not witness the accident. It might have been a few minutes later before he suddenly stopped his saw to hear his

daddy calling for help.

He immediately went to his aid, and cut off the log that was pressing him to the ground. Two other men that were also in the woods tried to lift David into a pickup, but hurt him too much, since he had his neck broken.

They immediately headed for the nearest telephone, which was 2 miles distant, but David had passed on before they summoned help.

Mail can reach the family at the address: R1 McRae,

Arkansas, 72102. Mail would be appreciated.

Church was held at the same place on the day following the funeral. Eleven visiting ministers and bishops were present, which is quite a change from our usual attendance of much less.

### Ethridge, Tennessee - Mother dies after birth of child

Lovina, wife of Sammie J. Hostetler died October 29. They had a stillborn son October 13. She was in the hospital since except that she was at home for about fifteen minutes before she died. The doctors let her go home as they said they couldn't help her anymore.

Haven, Reno County, Kansas - 2 men die of cancer This month 2 community men died of cancer. Noah (Dubb) Headings 74, and Fred Finfrock 64. We are all leaving this world as the Lord sees best, one by one. Cancer has taken many lives, what a dreadful word to hear. (cancer) Till the 5th of November our youngest son at the age of 18, passed on to his reward in 1977 after having Leukemia 22 months, Olen E. Schrock. We still miss his smiling face, but we have accepted Gods plan, he is a step ahead of us. Hope to meet again some sweet day.

LaGrange County, Indiana

Our community is experiencing quite a loss in the sudden death of the past president of our state bank, Gordon Smith. He was a kind, humble and friendly man and is missed by all of us. He retired as president at 65 and was still working at his 68 years. He leaves many pleasant memories. He was a member of Shipshewana Methodist Church.

Adams County, Indiana - House fires

A midnight blaze on October 1 destroyed 2 houses and nearly all their contents and left 6 people temperarily homeless. Burned were the one story frame home of Mr. and Mrs Enos Girod and son Stephan age 20 and the two story house of Girods son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Ben H. Schwartz and 19 month old son, Martin. Both homes were completely gutted, only walls and roofs remaining. Fire was caused from a kerosene oil stove. Both couples evacuated the homes safely, but Stephan who was sleeping in an upstairs room of the Schwartz home sustained cuts to his leg and burns to his face and hand as he came out thru the upstairs window. The families were living in with another daughter. Amos Eichers and the Schwartzs were with his parents, Henry M. Schwartzs. Both homes are being rebuilt. Both families are now living in the new small house until the large house is complete.

Wayne County, Ohio - House fire

October 31 a fire almost gutted the house of Dan N. Hershberger in Maysville, Ohio. His wife Lizzie died on Wed. October 29. And people were there to help along. Also to get ready for the funeral tomorrow November 1. When some of the help noticed that the oil stove didn't work right and about then it went into flames and it burned so fast that they didn't get any belongings out. Even the help didn't get their clothing out. A neighbor by the name of Dan Mast dived thru the smoke into the room where Lizzie was and broke out the window and passed Lizzie out thru the window. Nobody hurt. They got the things out of the basement. 4 fire department were there. Fredericksburg, Applecreek, Kideon and Mt. Eaton. Lucky it didnt happen during the night, when some were in bed sleeping. Their address is AppleCreek #2.

Dover, Delaware - Community notes

After a very warm summer with very good crops let us not forget to give thanks to our God this Thanksgiving season. Many weddings are on the go both here in our community and also among relatives in other communities.

Communion services were held in all 7 districts, another reason to be thankful for, that all our churches still want to work together. One new minister this fall. October 12 was the

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Mercer County, Pennsylvania - Community note

Dan, 20, son of Dan and Lizzie Troyer was hit in the back of the buggy by a hit run driver, Saturday evening, October 25 on Rt. 358 on his way to Atlantic. The horse scared and took off got to the side of the road hit a tree and left the buggy there with the top smashed, the reach and 1 wheel broke. The horse was found later about 3 miles from the wreck. Dan escaped with only a few bumps on the head and a stiff neck.

Southern Mercer County, Pennsylvania

Menno Y. Hostetler had the misfortune of hurting his foot in some way while riding a horse. Was unable to walk on it. Reports are the horse fell down while chasing heifers.

Ashland County, Ohio - Community notes

Esther, Mrs. Ben H. Miller is spending some time in the Shelby, Ohio Hospital, she had an appendicitis operation and was also running quite a bit of fever.

Lena, daughter of Deacon Sam E. Millers also had an appen-

dicitis operation sometime last week.

Esther had spent a few days in the same hospital a month

earlier. Address is #5 Ashland, Ohio 44805.

The barn and shed raising at David E. Shrocks was well attended on October 16 with over 200 men and boys attending. Their other barn had burned down earlier. Arson was suspected by some yankees.

Adams County, Indiana - Community note

Mrs. Levi H. Schwartz (Emma) had surgery September 30 at the Adams County Memorial Hospital for gall stones. She is recovering nicely at home. Address #1 Monroe, Indiana 46772

Marshell County, Indiana - Community note

LaMar Chupp of #1 Etna Green, Indiana had the misfortune of losing his first 2 fingers of his right hand and the third one they are trying to heal back on in a factory accident. Dan V. Yoder is at the Fountain View Place at Elkhart, Indiana for several months now on account of being a diabetic and therefore his sugar count is up and down very much.

Perry County, Tennessee - Community notes

Naomi, 4 year old daughter of Paul and Mary (Nolt) Larry was playing with a tweezers when she accidently poked it up in her gums on top of her front teeth, her face swelled up quite a bit but other than that she seemed to be getting along alright. She is still having pain at times.

Wingham, Ontario

Emma, 4 year old daughter of Mosie and Ella (Gingerich) Shetler was stepped on by a yearing colt. She had a punctured lung and one part was collapsed. She was in the hospital four days and is slowly improving.

Bowling Green, Missouri - Attend funeral

Several van loads and 1 car load attended the funeral of Mrs. Jake Mast of Bowling Green, Missouri the 22nd. She was a widow.

A number from Johnson County attended the funeral of Mrs. Elmer Miller, a widow of Canton, Minnesota. The Millers lived in Buchanan County, Iowa in earlier years then later in Wayne County, Ohio, but now in Minnesota the last 4 or 5 years.

Clark, Missouri - Grinder accident

Andy J. Gingerich, married August 21st, broke his arm (a bad break) the first part of the month. He was ginding feed and the belt jumped off and with the belt he attempted to slow the running mill down, then the pulley grabbed the belt, jerking him, and breaking his arm.

### Ethridge, Tennessee - Community Notes

Jacob A. Yoder was in the hospital a few days. He had blood poison from a sliver in the elbow.

Mrs. Noah Yoder was laid up awhile from a broken ankle. Don't know exactly how it happened.

### Bowling Green, Missouri - Woman hurt in Runaway

Anna, wife of Alvin Schrock, received a broken left elbow; October 10, when their horse ran while hitched to the buggy They were at a sale and had just come home. Alvin and daughter Elma came out of the buggy but Anna and baby were still in the buggy when the horse took off which overturned the buggy and threw them out.

### BIRTHS

Conewango Valley, New York

Miller, John D. (Tena Miller), a son Menno, Oct 20 Hershberger, John A. (Lizzieann Miller), a son Henry, Oct. 22

Clinton County, [Sugar Valley] Pennsylvania . Esh, Dan U. (Anna Esh), #2 Loganton, a son Henry, Oct. 22

Centre County [Brush Valley], Pennsylvania Stoltzfus, David B. (Emma K. Stoltzfus), Rebersburg, a dau. Sadie S., Oct. 10

Nittany Valley, Pennsylvania

Glick, Benuel (Katie King), Box 345, Mill Hall, a son Jacob

Matthew, Sept. 27

Montour County, Pennsylvania Stoltzfus, Jacob M. (Rachel Zook), a dau. Nancy, Oct. 17

Lycoming County [White Deer Valley] Pennsylvania King, Ammon B. (Mattie Lapp), #1 Allenwood, a dau. Katie L., Oct. 1

Lapp, Benjamin K. (Sarah Fisher), #1 Allenwood, a son Elam F., Aug. 27

Lebanon County, Pennsylvania

Smoker, Moses B. (Annie Lapp), #2 Myerstown, a dau. Sarah, Oct. 14

Stoltzfus, Elam L. (Ruth Peachey), #2 Myerstown, a son Andy, Oct. 8

Stoltzfus, Urie P. (Mary Esh), #1 Myerstown, a son Eli E., Oct. 17 Zook, Simeon (Sara Ann Stoltzfus), #2 Newmanstown, a dau. Ruth, Oct. 9

Juniata County, Pennsylvania Kanagy, Levi R. (Lisbeth Wengerd), a dau. Esther, Oct. 28

Lancaster County, Pennsylvania

Beiler, Christian (Sylvia Lapp), Ronks, a son Mark L., Oct 23 Beiler, David G. (Mal.nda Fisher), Gordonville, a dau., Oct. 2 Beiler, Emanuel (Sylvia King), Narvon #2, a dau. Anna Mary, Oct. 13

Fisher, John Z. (Mattie L. Zock), Kirkwood, #1, a son, Oct. 6 Blank, Amos G. (Rebecca R. Lapp), Oxford, #1, a son, Oct. 11 Blank, David (Rachel King), Narvon #2, a dau Katie K., Oct 12 Ebersol, Abram (Mary Beiler), Gordonville, a dau Elizabeth, Oct 15

Esh, Enos Jr. (Sarah King), Gordonville, a son Sylvan, Oct 23 Esh, Stephen K. (Lizzie Beiler), Kirkwood #1, a dau. Rebecca B., Oct 13

Fisher, David (Anna Mary Esh), #3 New Holland, a dau. Marion Rose, Oct 14

Glick, Abner (Elsie Beiler), Gap #1, a son Reuben B., Oct 5 Glick, Emanuel S. (Sadie E. King), Lancaster, a son Oct 22

Hershberger, Jacob J. Jr. (Annie M. Zook), #2 Peach Bottom, a son Jacob Jr., Oct 4

Kauffman, Elam E. (Mary S. Stoltzfus), Bird-in-Hand, a son, Oct 25 King, Bennie P. (Mary G. Zook), New Holland #1, a dau Susie Ann, Oct 12

King, David B. (Linda Fisher), #2 Parkesburg, a dau., Oct 29

King, Levi K. (Fannie F. Stoltzfus), Paradise, a dau. Rachel S., Oct 30

King, Samuel (Elizabeth Lapp) #2 Quarryville, a son Aaron, Oct. 1 King Jr., Samuel B. (Barbara Blank), Christiana, a son Joseph, Oct. 18

Lapp, Benjamin S. (Mary Stoltzfus), Honey Brook, a dau., Oct. 6 Lapp, Jonathan (Elizabeth Stoltzfus), Ronks, a son John S., Oct 11 Lapp, Joseph S. (Fannie S. Kauffman), #2 Ronks, a son Joseph, Oct 15

Lapp, Melvin E. (Sara Ann Stoltzfus), Gap, a dau Rachel Ann, Oct 19

Petersheim, John S. (Sarah Lapp), #1 Christiana a son Gideon D., Oct 28

Riehl, Lloyd (Ruth Fisher), #1 Gap, a dau., Oct 5

Smucker, Eli S. (Mary King), #3 Narvon, a son Stevie K., Oct 7 Smucker, Joseph (Naomi Smucker), #2 East Earl, a dau Kathryn S., Oct 29

Smucker, Levi E. (Barbara Stoltzfus), #1 Ronks, a son Amos L., Oct. 11

Smucker, Levi S. (Emma Esh), Lititz, a dau. Naomi E., Oct 27 Stoltzfoos, Amos F. (Anna R. Stoltzfus), Kinzers, a dau Katie, Oct 21

Stoltzfus, Amos F. (Sarah G. Stoltzfus), #3 Quarryville, a son Henry, Oct 18

Stoltzfus, Benjamin (Ruth Fisher), #3 Quarryville, a son David, Oct. 24

Stoltzfus, Benuel L. (Malinda Smucker), #1 Honey Brook, a son David J., Oct 9

Stoltzfus, David (Katie Fisher), #2 Gap, a son, Oct. 4

Stoltzfus, Emanuel (Nancy Stoltzfus), #1 Kirkwood, a dau. Fannie S. Oct 25

Stoltzfus, Henry D. (Sadie Beiler), Lancaster, a dau., Oct 29 Stoltzfus, Jacob B. (Annie K. Fisher), #1 Christiana, a dau., Oct 20 Stoltzfus, John (Mary Glick), #1 Christiana, a son Abner G., Oct 12

Stoltzfus, John B. Jr. (Rachel King), #1 Ronks, a son Emanuel K., Sept. 30

Stoftzfus, John D. (Katie Smucker), Leola, a son David, Oct. 18 Stoltzfus, Jonas S. Jr. (Lizzie Stoltzfus), #1 Honey Brook, a son, Oct. 2

Stoltzfus, Levi Z. (Malinda L. Stoltzfus), #2 Quarryville, a son John, Oct 4

Stoltzfus, Samuel (Erma Glick), Kinzers, a son Marlin James, Oct 10

Stoltzfus, Samuel B. (Ruth Stoltzfus), #1 Gap, a dau., Oct. 19 Stoltzfus, Samuel B. (Anna Mae King), Gordonville, a dau. Lydia, Oct. 6

Stoltzfus, Steven K. (Anna Stoltzfus), #2 Narvon, a dau., Oct. 6
Zook, Daniel S. (Malinda S. Beiler). Gordonville, a dau., Oct. 24
Zook, Gideon D. (Mary Ann Fisher), #1 Gap, a dau Leah Rachelle, Oct 29

St. Marys County, Maryland
Fisher, Israel (Hannah Byler), Mechanicsville, a dau. Susie, Oct. 3

Dover, Delaware

Byler, William A. (Amanda Swartzentruber), #2 Dover, a dau. Ruth, Oct. 19

Coblentz, William F. (Dorothy Miller), #1 Wyoming, a son Ivan, Oct. 13

Mast, Daniel S. (Lizzie Ann Miller), #2 Dover, a dau. Mary Ann, Oct. 15

Mast, Levi E. (Emma Beachy), #2 Dover, a dau. Frieda, Oct. 10Miller, Allen A. (Mattie A. Byler), #1 Hartly, a dau. Dorothy Mae,Sept. 28

Miller, Danny H. (Barbara L. Yoder), #5 Dover, a son Toby, Sept. 30

Miller, Harvey H. (Dorothy L. Miller), #5 Dover, a son Joe Henry, Oct. 16

Miller, Henry H. (Lydia J. Hershberger), #1 Wyoming, a son Steven, Oct. 18

Schlabach, Abe D. (Amanda J. Mast), #2 Smyrna, a dau. Elizabeth Irene, Oct. 26

Troyer, John S. (Miriam Coblentz), #1 Hartley, a son Norman, Oct. 11

Yoder, Daniel H. (Dora J. Yoder), #2 Dover, a dau. Rhoda Ann, Oct. 10 Mifflin County, Pennsylvania

Byler, Ivan (Katie Peachey), Belleville, a dau. Katie, Oct. 16 Byler, John (Annie Kanagy), Belleville, a dau. Linda, Oct. 18

Peachey, Benjamin, (Susie Zook), Belleville, a dau. Suzanne, Sept.

Swarey, Samuel (Linda Peachey), Belleville, a dau. Ada, Oct. 27 Yoder, Daniel (Rachel Peachey), Belleville, a son Norman, Oct. 14 Yoder, Norman (Nancy Peachey), Belleville, a dau. Katie, Oct. 10

Perry County, Pennsylvania

Stoltzfus, Amos E. (Naomi King), a dau. Rebecca, Oct. 3
Somerset County, Pennsylvania

Yoder, Simon E. (Sadie A. Zook), Garrett, a dau. Frieda, Oct. 12

### Geauga County, Ohio

Byler, Andy A. Jr. (Ida Miller), Middlefield, a dau. Marie, Oct. 14 Byler, John A. (Martha Mae Miller), Middlefield, a dau. Nancy, Sept. 22

Byler, Joe E. (Irene Troyer), Burton, a son Nelson, Oct. 2 Byler, William (Emma), Middlefield, a dau., Oct. 8

Detweiler, Albert G. (Betty Hershberger), Middlefield, a son, Martin, Oct. 25

Detweiler, Sam D. (Susie Miller), Middlefield, a dau. Susan, Oct. 5 Kauffman, Jake (Maryann Mullet), Middlefield, a dau., Oct. 10 Kauffman, Melvin J. (Alma Byler), W. Farmington, a dau., Oct. 7 Kurtz, Joe (Marie Bender), Winsor, a son, Oct. 10

Kurtz, Dan (Lydia Ann Shrock), Burton, a son Daniel Jr., Oct. Miller, Andy A. Jr. (Ada Yoder), Middlefield, a son Joe, Oct. 5 Miller, Dan (Clara Yoder), Middlefield, a dau. Anna, Oct. 11 Miller, John Henry (Esther Troyer), Middlefield, a son, Oct. 8 Miller, Joe, (Anna Yoder), Middlefield, a dau. Susan, Sept. 30 Miller, Allen J. (Ada Yoder), Middlefield, a dau. Katheryn, Oct. 24 Miller, Jonas J. (Caroll Miller). Middlefield, a son, Oct. 23

Miller, Jonas J. (Caroll Miller), Middlefield, a son, Oct. 23 Miller, Jonas E. (Fannie Shrock), Burton, a dau. Marian, Oct. 24 Miller, Eli J. Jr. (Esther), Middlefield, a son, Oct. 10

Miller, Dan U. (Katie Byler), Middlefield, a dau. Linda, Oct. 12 Miller, William A. C. (Amanda Troyer), Huntsburg, a son, Oct. 22 Troyer, Crist (Ruth Lesline), Orwell, a son Eli, Sept. 25 Weaver, Crist H. (Mary Fisher), Middlefield, a dau. Linda, Oct. 17 Weaver, John P. (Betty Miller), Middlefield, a son Peter, Oct. Wengerd, Eli (Lydia Miller), Middlefield, a son Levi, Oct. 19 Yoder, Dan (Lizzie Byler), Middlefield, a son Chester, Sept. 25

Wayne County, Ohio
Mast, Willis E. (Becky Schlabach), Apple Creek, a son Ferman, Oct.
Raber, Dan (Mary Schlabach), #1 Dundee, a dau. Bertha, Oct. 22
Weaver, Mr. and Mrs. Levi B. Weaver, #2 Fredericksburg, a son
Aden, Oct. 21

Yoder, Paul M. (Amanda Troyer), Fredericksburg, a dau. Amy,

Holmes County, Ohio

Coblentz, Pre. Clyde J. (Clara Shrock), a dau. Mary, (by adoption), June 19, #2 Sugar Cree!

Erb, John L. (Katie Millet), Sugarcreek, a dau. Anna Mae, Oct. 7 Hershberger, Delbert D. (Katie S. Hershberger), a son Wesley, Oct 7

Miller, Aden J. (Clara Yoder), #1 Baltic, a son Joseph

Miller, Clarance M. (Edna Yoder), a son Leroy, Sept 28 Miller, Dan D. Jr. (Katie Yoder), #1 Baltic, a son Robert, Oct. 11 Raber, Eli J. (Katie Yoder), #1 Baltic, a son Robert, Oct. 11 Raber, Eli J. (Katie Miller), #1 Baltic, a dau., Oct. 22

Troyer, Albert V. (Vesta Miller), #1 Baltic, a son Dennis, Oct. 27 Yoder, Henry N. (Mary Yoder), a son Delbert, Sept. 7

Yoder, Joe A. (Katie Hershberger), #2 Fredericksburg, a son Henry, Oct. 24

Yoder, Noah L. (Irene Troyer), Sugarcreek #1, a dau. Marlene, Oct. 9

Yoder, Roman H. (Ada Troyer), #1 Baltic. a son

Ashland County, Ohio

Schrock, Andy J. (Mattie Hershberger), a dau. Mary, Oct. 2

Adams County, Indiana

Eicher, Elmer B. (Sylvia Christner), Geneva, a son Philip, Oct. Eicher, Leroy L. (Elizabeth M. Schwartz), Berne, a son, Sept. 30 Girod, Samuel E. (Salome V. Schwartz), Geneva, a dau. Edith, Sept. 20

Graber, Amos R. (Leah L. Eicher), Geneva, a son Christian, Oct.

Graber, Jonas J. (Mattie Lambright), Geneva, a son Chris, Oct. 10 Hilty, Elmer K. (Salome Graber), Geneva, a son Emanuel, Sept. 28 Hilty, Lamar C. (Lucynda R. Hilty), Monroe, a son Jonathan, Sept. 30

Schwartz, Levi G. (Josephine V. Schwartz), Geneva, a dau. Mary, Sept

Schwartz, Peter A. (Elizabeth E. Schwartz), Monroe, a dau. Katie, Oct 2

Schwartz, Levi A. (Margaret E. Schwartz), Monroe, a son Levi, Oct. 6

Schwartz, Joe A. L. (Rebecca W. Schwartz), Berne, a dau. Anna, Oct. 10

Schwartz, Joe B. (Emma D. L. Schwartz), Monroe, a son Joe, Oct. Shetler, Milton V. (Leah J. Schwartz), Geneva, a son John, Oct. 8 Wickey, David E. (Lovina E. Girod), Berne, a son Jonathan, Oct. 12

Wickey, John L. (Annie M. Hilty), Decater, a dau. Elma, Oct. 17

### Allen County, Indiana

Eicher, Christ (Amanda Graber), a dau Martha, Sept 30 Graber, Jacob (Mary Schwartz), a son David J. Oct. 20 Graber, Jonas (Rachel Eicher), a son Marvin, Oct 3 Graber, Joseph (Rosa Wagler), a son Lester, Sept 26 Graber, Wilmer (Betty Graber), a son Marlin, Oct 15 Lengacher, Jacob (Anna Marie Graber), a dau. Marie Ann, Oct

Lengacher, LaVern (Mary Schmucker), a dau Barbara, Oct 8 Lengacher, Victor (Malinda Brandenberger), a son Victor, Sept.

Schmucker, Daniel (Martha Delagrange), a dau. Marjarie, Oct

Schmucker, Edwin (Sarah Schwartz), a dau. Clara, Sept 1

Nappanee, Indiana

Borkholder, Levi (Katie Miller), a son James, Oct. 25

Kemp, (Harvey (Barbara Hochstetler), a dau. Jeana, Oct. 23

Marshell County, Indiana
Bontrager, Mr. and Mrs. Joe, a dau. Jolene Dawn, Sept. 22
Borkholder, Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy, Bourbon, a son, Oct. 25
Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth, a dau. Luanna Kay, Sept. 23
Slabaugh, Mr. and Mrs. Earl, a son Jason Edward, Sept. 26

Daviess County, Indiana

Graber, David W. (Rosanna Yoder), Loogootee, a dau. Rebecca Kathleen, Oct 2

Graber, Ernest (Sarah Knepp), Montgomery, a dau. Angela Sue, Oct 2

Graber, Jerome K. (Rosemary Stoll), Montgomery, a son Stephen Jay, Oct. 22

Graber, Glen (Betty Weaver), Montgomery, a son Adrain, Sept. 29 Knepp, Ivan (Bertha Graber), Montgomery, a dau. Margie, Sept. 29

Knepp, Olin Jay (Fannie Mae Kemp), Montgomery, a son Johnny Ray, Oct. 17

Stoll, Amos Jr. (Mary Raber), Loogootee, a son Amos Jacob, Oct. 13

Stoll, Harry (Mary Lou Knepp), Montgomery, a son Allen Ray, Oct. 11

Wagler, Floyd (Rosemary Knepp), Odon, a son Jeffery, Oct 13

Johnson County, Iowa

Beachey, Roy (Elizabeth Ann Schrock), a son Vernon Helmuth, Elmer (Ida Hochstetler), a dau. Elizabeth Miller, Enos (Alta Beachy), a dau. Rosana Overholt Joe (Laura Miller), a son Samuel

Swartz, John Harvey (Fannie Mae Borkholder), a son Luke Harvey, Oct. 13

Yoder, Melvin (Lizzie Mast), a son Delmar

### **Ethridge Tennessee**

Gingerich, Dannie D. (Lydia Gingerich), a son, Oct 30 Hershberger, Levi J. (Barbara Gingerich), a son Emanuel, Sept 29

Hostetler, Dannie J. (Sarah Stutzman), a son Joe, Oct 5 Troyer, Moses E. (Miriam Yoder), a son Eli, Oct 12 (3 lb.) Yoder, Andy S. (Sarah Mast), a dau. Fannie, Sept 26 Yoder, Noah A. (Katie Hostetler). a dau Susie

### Pike County, Missouri

Eicher, Henry (Anna Mast), a son Alvin, Oct 20 Yoder, Andy Jr. (Annie Eicher), a dau Rosanne, Oct 8

Windsor, Missouri

Beachy, Norman (Laura Miller), a dau. Irene Hertzler, Henry (Wilma Chupp), a son Philip, Oct. 19 Mast, Eli (Martha Borntrager), a son David Mast, Pre. Henry (Edna Wengerd), a dau. Susan

Audrain County, Missouri

Borntrager, Albert B. (Lena J. Miller), a dau. Erma, Oct. 23 Miller, Jacob J. (Lydia P. Borntreger), Clark, a son Enos, Oct. 22 Miller, Perry J. (Ida J. Petersheim), Clark, a dau. Lydia, Sept. 25

Seymour, Webster County, Missouri

Schwartz, Amos N. (Mary E. Schwartz), a dau. Katie F., Oct. 21

### Bloomfield, Iowa

Gingerich, Jerry (Lena Gingerich), a son Freeman, Oct. 1 Yutzy, Eli (Mary), a son Luke, Oct. 19

### Smiley, Texas

Schmucker, LaVerne (Barbara Borntrager), a dau Laura, Oct 16

Blair, Wisconsin

Borntrager, Roy (Elizabeth Yoder), a son Edwin, Sept. 6

Amherst, Wisconsin

Borntrager, David (Frieda Schmucker), a son Daniel, Aug. 13 Borntrager, Christ (Lydia Miller), a son Vernon, Oct. 24 Borntrager, Fred (Mary Mast), a dau. Mary, Oct. 24 Schmucker, Monroe (LuEllen Beachy), a dau. Elsie, Oct. 7 Schrock, Jonas (Fannie Borntrager), a dau., Oct. 27

Cashton, Wisconsin

Kempf, Harvey (Anna Yoder), twin sons Ivan and Irvin, Oct. 16 Miller, Levi (Wilma Detweiler), a dau. Clara, Oct. 20

Steuben County, Indiana

Schwartz, David N.J.(Katie S. Schwartz), Hamilton, a son Sammy, Sept. 13

Schwartz, Joel N. (Anna S. Schwartz), Quincy, a dau. Anna, Oct. 23

Schwartz, Willie K. (Elizabeth J. Schwartz), Reading, a son David, Oct. 18

### **BAPTISMS**

Conewango Valley, New York

West District

August 31, by Noah B. Detweiler
Neal, son of John S. and Sarah Hershberger
Amos, son of Eli J. and Ella Yoder
Mose, son of Crist E. and Rachel Miller
Levi Jr., son of Levi D. and Rebecca Miller
Orrie, daughter of Dan A. and Mattie Schlaubach
Sara, daughter of Noah B. and Mattie Detweiler
Fannie, daughter of Noah J. and Lizzie Wengerd

Southeast District

August 31, by Enos J. Yoder

Katie, daughter of Mose D. and Lydia Stutzman Malinda, daughter of Dan E.N. and Malinda Miller

North District

Sept. 7, by Menno E. Miller Levi, son of Eli E. and Ada Miller Jacob, son of Mahlon M. and Barbara Hochstetler Joe, son of Jake J. and Anna Wengerd Esther, daughter of Noah C. and Lydia Kauffman

Southwest District

Sept. 7, by Dan S. Troyer Atlee, son of Jacob A. and Mattie Byler Noah, son of John L. and Emma Yoder

Elizabeth, daughter of Pete A. and Lydia Miller

Northeast District

Sept. 7, by Atlee Y. Miller

Crist, son of Josie Z. and Anna Hostetler Verna, daughter of John S. and Edna Miller Katie, daughter of Joe M. and Emma Hershberger

Northwest District

Sept. 14, by Emanuel N. Shetler Emma, daughter of Eli Y. and Mattie Hostetler Clara, daughter of Emanuel N. and Anna Shetler

Lancaster County, Pennsylvania

Lower Pequea Southwest District Sept. 14, by Mose Blank

Reuben, son of Amos and Emma (Allgyer) Zook Christ, son of Abner and Rachel (Stoltzfus) Zook Samuel, son of Melvin and Fannie (Stoltzfus) Beiler Joe, son of John and Sallie (Fisher) Allgyer (dec.) Verna, daughter of J. Elmer and Sadie (Beiler) Lapp Sarah, daughter of Melvin and Fannie (Stoltzfus) Beiler Rebecca, daughter of Amos and Barbara (Esh) Blank Oct. 26, Verna, daughter of Mose and Lena (Smucker) Riehl

Lower Pequea, Gap

Dienner

Sept. 21, by Mose K. Blank
John, son of Christ K. and Katie (Allgyer) Fisher
Jacob, son of Mose K. and Fannie (Kauffman) Blank
Elam, son of Mose E. and Barbara (Glick) Stoltzfoos
Christ, son of Jacob S. and Mary (Beiler) Stoltzfoos
Nov. 2, Paul, son of Christ K. and Katie (Allgyer) Fisher
Barbara, daughter of Abram and the late Barbara (Lantz)

Esther, daughter of Christ K. and Katie (Allgyer) Fisher Katie, daughter of Mose E. and Barbara (Glick) Stoltzfoos

Nov. 2, Hannah, daughter of Emanuel and Rachel (Lapp)

Ben Allgyer District
Sept. 21, by Ben Allgyer
John, son of Ben K. Lapps
John, son of Ben Allgyers

Samuel U. Fisher District
Sept. 14, by Elam P. Kauffman
Henry, son of David L. Stoltzfus
Jacob, son of the late Lizzie King
Naomi, daughter of David L. Stoltzfus
John U. Stoltzfus District, Conestoga
Sept. 14, by John U. Stoltzfus
Isaac, son of Isaac Zook
Benuel, son of Christ E. Stoltzfus

Benuel, son of Christ E. Stoltzfus
Raymond, son of Benuel King
Samuel, son of Jonas E. Stoltzfus
Levi, son of Samuel M. Stoltzfus
Naomi, daughter of Isaac Zook
Barbara, daughter of Amos M. Stoltzfus
Miriam, daughter of Benuel S. Lapp

### Franklin County, Pennsylvania

October 2, by Bishop John K. Beiler
Stephen, son of Jonathan and Lydia (Swarey) Stoltzfus
John, son of Isaac and Nancy (Byler) Esh
Joseph, son of Eli and Rebecca (Stoltzfus) Byler
David, son of Benjamin and Lydia (King) Fisher
Raymond, son of Benjamin and Lydia (King) Fisher
Amos, son of Daniel and Mary (Zook) Stoltzfus
Katie, daughter of Isaac and Nancy (Byler) Esh
Katie, daughter of Mike and Anna (Weaver) Kauffman
Sadie, daughter of Mike and Anna (Weaver) Kauffman
Miriam, daughter of Stephen and Susie (Stoltzfus) Lee
Betty, daughter of Mike and Anna (Weaver) Kauffman
Mary Ann, daughter of Eli and Rebecca (Stoltzfus) Byler
Fannie, daughter of Daniel and Mary (Zook) Stoltzfus

Geauga County, Ohio

William Byler District
Dan, son of Lester J. and Barbara Mullet
Dan, son of Dan E. and Edna Yoder
Jacob, son of Jake E. and Sara Yoder
John, son of Ben and Viola Hostetler
Allen, son of Sarah Miller and the late Enos L. Miller
Katie, daughter of Dan and Esther Stutzman
Laura, daughter of Ervin and Ada Byler

Sugarcreek, Ohio

By Clarence J. Yoder

Dan, son of Dan J. and Sarah Troyer Freda, daughter of Roman and Mable (Hershberger) Troyer Linda, daughter of Bish. Clarence J. and Barbara (Troyer)

Mary Catherine, daughter of Roman J.C. and Ada (Yoder)
Miller

Marilyn, daughter of Pre. Menno S. and Mattie (Miller) Beachy

### Allen County, Indiana

October 19, by Bishop Samuel J. Graber Joseph, son of late (Noah) and Sarah Mae (Miller) Schmucker Neal, son of John and Lillie (Graber) Graber Samuel, son of Menno and Esther (Eicher) Steury Samuel, son of Samuel and Martha (Lengacher) Lengacher Mary, daughter of Jaocb and Martha (Graber) Wagler

Daviess County, Indiana

October 5, by Ben E. Wagler Loren, son of Herman and Rosa Graber David Jr., son of David and Anna Wagler James, son of John and Viola Knepp

Oct. 25, by Levi E. Graber
Pete, son of Mrs. Mary L. Knepp
Paul, son of Fred and Katie Miller
Norman, son of Noah and Pauline Wagler
Dorothy, daughter of David and Fannie Stoll
Geraldine, daughter of Paul and Rosa Graber
Esther, daughter of Harry and Lydia Wagler
Miriam, daughter of Enos and Rosanna Wagler

Johnson County, Iowa

October 12, by Fruman Miller Lyndon, son of Mark Millers Orvin, son of Edwin Ropps

Audrain County, [Clark] Missouri

Southwest District

August 24, by Amos M. Borntreger, Wilton, Wisconsin Ervin and Mervin, twin sons of Ezra J. and Edna Miller Lizzie, daughter of Jakie E. and Mary Gingerich

Northeast District

Sept. 7, by Jonas S. Bontrager

Johnnie, son of Delbert and Martha Ann Gingerich

Southeast District

Naomi, daughter of Samuel M. and Mary Burkholder

Northwest District

October 12, by Willie E.M. Borntrager Sarah, daughter of Eddie and Edna Petersheim

Blair, Wisconsin

August 24, by Raymond Schrock Clara, daughter of Levi V. and Fannie Bontrager August 31, by Raymond Schrock

William, son of Mose J. and Clara Miller Leroy, son of Ira A. and Susie Borntreger

Mio, Michigan

By Joe Eicher Howard, son of Norman and Inez (Chupp) Hochstetler Ruth Ann, daughter of Melvin and Mary (Miller) Bontrager Miriam, daughter of Bish. Joe and Esther (Gingerich) Eicher

### **MARRIAGES**

Conewango Valley, New York

Hershberger, Shetler - Menno Jr., son of Menno J. and the late Polly (Miller) Hershberger to Susie, daughter of John B. and Barbara Shetler. Oct. 16, by Dan S. Troyer

Miller, Hershberger - Eli, son of Dan E. and Mary (Wengerd) Miller to Rose, daughter of Menno J. and the late Polly (Miller)

Hershberger. Oct. 23, by Enos J. Yoder.

Miller, Wengerd - Andy, son of Pete and Lydia (Shetler) Miller to Ada, daughter of Jake J. and Anna (Miller) Wengerd. Oct. 28.

Montour County, Pennsylvania

Hertzler, Zook - Clemens, son of Henry Hertzler to Rebecca, daughter of John and Sadie (King) Zook. Oct. 28, by Bishop John Glick.

Fisher, Stoltzfus - Benuel Jr., son of Benuel and Arie (Smucker) Fisher to Hannah, daughter of Benuel and Fannie (Hertzler) Stoltzfus. Oct. 30, by Bishop Amos Stoltzfus.

Stoltzfus, Stoltzfus - Henry, son of Samuel U. and Fannie (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus to Rachel, daughter of Benuel and Fannie (Hertzler) Stoltzfus. Oct. 30, by Bishop Amos Stoltzfus.

Holmes County, Ohio

Raber, Miller - Eddie, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Raber, #3 Millersburg to Esther, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Miller, #4 Millersburg. Oct. 23, by Bishop John J.C. Yoder.

Dover, Delaware

Mast, Miller - Dan, son of Pre. Adlia and the late Amanda Mast to Bertha, granddaughter of Andy A. and Katie Miller. Oct. 9, by Bish. John J. Yoder.

Byler, Byler - Dan, son of Pre. Crist J. and Lydia Byler to Alma, daughter of Rudy S. and Lydia Byler. Oct. 16, by Bish.

Lerov J. Yoder.

Swartzentruber, Yoder - Norman, son of Eli N. and Barbara Swartzentruber to Sylvia, daughter of Ammon J. and Lizzie Yoder. Oct. 23, by Bish. Leroy J. Yoder.

Miller, Miller - John, son of Manilius A. and Verna — Miller to Emma, daughter of John H. and Esther Miller. Oct. 30, by Bish.

Leroy J. Yoder.

Mifflin County, Pennsylvania

Peachey, Byler - Daniel, son of Abraham and Katie (Peight) Peachey to Tena, daughter of Jacob and Nannie (Yoder) Byler. Oct. 28, by Bish. Daniel M. Peachey.

Mercer, Pa.

Miller, Hostetler - Roman, son of Ammon and Verna Miller, Conewango Valley, New York to Sadie, daughter of Levi B. and Mattie Z. Hostetler. Oct. 30, by Bish. Andy M. Byler.

Geauga County, Ohio

Weaver, Byler - Crist, son of Joe J. and Katie (Miller) Weaver to Rosemary, daughter of Dorthey (Troyer) Byler and the late Reuben Byler. Oct. 9.

Yoder, Mullet - Sam, son of Nannie (Hostetler). Yoder and the late Homer to Ruth, daughter of Rudy and Katheryn

(Detweiler) Mullet. Oct. 9, by David D. Miller Jr.

Byler, Hostetler - Dan, son of Bill and Lizzie (Weaver) Byler to Esther, daughter of Andy and Katie (Farmwald) Hostetler. Oct. 16, by Bill Byler of Penna.

Troyer, Mullet - Bill, son of Eli and Fannie (Fisher) Troyer to Mary, daughter of John Henry and Mary Ellen (Miller) Mullet.

Oct. 9, by Eli Troyer.

Wengerd, Miller - Freeman, son of Gid and Bertha (Byler) Wengerd to Marion, daughter of Jerry and Alta (Troyer) Miller. Oct. 14, by Elmer Miller.

Byler, Troyer - Melvin, son of Lizzie Ann (Yoder) Byler and the late Jake Byler to Laura, daughter of Alvin and Mary

(Weaver) Troyer. Oct. 16.

Miller, Smucker - Melvin, son of Edna (Mast) Miller and the late Ervin to Caroll, daughter of Neil and Betty (Coblentz) Smucker. Oct. 23, by Sam Hitley of Indiana.

Yoder, Miller - Jacob Jr., son of Jake and Sarah (Miller) Yoder to Susie, daughter of David S. and Lizzie (Burkholder)

Miller. Oct. 21, by Mahlon Yoder.

Miller, Miller - Robert, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ervin D. Miller to Irene, daughter of Albert and Emma (Gingerich) Miller. Oct. 23, by Bill W. Byler.

Miller, Fisher - Kenneth, son of Dan J. and Sylvia (Hershberger) Miller to Emma, daughter of Eli and Katie

(Byler) Fisher. Oct. 30.

Wayne County, Ohio

Keim, Weaver - Eli, son of Abe and Mary (Miller) Keim to Miriam, daughter of Jonas and Iva (Hochstetler) Weaver. Oct. 23.

Yoder, Yoder - Merlin, son of Jacob D. and Anna (Weaver) Yoder to Mary Anne, daughter of Ray and Betty (Hochstetler) Yoder. Oct. 2, by Bish. Clarence Yoder.

Troyer, Yoder - Andy, son of Attlee and Ida (Miller) Troyer to Bertha, daughter of Noah and Susan (Yoder) Yoder. Oct. 30.

Yoder, Yoder - Abe, son of Levi N. and Abigail (Miller) Troyer to Esther, daughter of Crist L. and Lucinda (Raber) Yoder. Oct. 2.

Holmes County, Ohio

Miller, Miller - Norman, son of Nelson V. and Anna (Wengerd) Miller of #2 Dundee to Gladys, daughter of David A. and Amanda (Yoder) Miller of #2 Sugarcreek. Oct. 16, by Bish. Abe W. Schlabach Jr.

Yoder, Eicher - Leroy, son of Deacon Eli D. and Mary Yoder of #2 Fredericksburg to Anna Mae, daughter of the late Ben Eicher and Dena (Miller) Eicher of #2 Dundee. Oct. 30, by Bish. Abe W. Schlabach Jr.

Schlabach, Hershberger - Daniel, son of Eli and Katie (Raber) Schlabach to Fannie, daughter of Levi P. and Anna (Miller)

Hershberger. Oct.

Kenton, Ohio

Hostetler, Beechy - Aden, son of David and Susan Hostetler to Lydia, daughter of Dan and Katie Beechy. By Levi M. Beechy. Oct 23.

Ashland County, Ohio

Troyer, Troyer - Aden, son of Abe J. and Alma (Hershberger) Troyer to Emma, daughter of Menno J. and Esther E. (Shrock) Troyer. Oct. 9, by Bish. Albert J. Keim.

Troyer, Yoder - Joe, son of Abe J. and Alma (Hershberger) Troyer to Lydian, daughter of Roman and Emma (Beachy)

Yoder. Oct. 16, by Bish. Albert J. Keim.

Keim, Mast - Aden, son of Jonas and Mary Keim to LeAnna, daughter of Alvin I. and Edna (Weaver) Mast. Oct. 30, by Bish. Dan A. Miller.

Adams County, Indiana

Eicher, Wengerd - Menno M., son of Paul V. and Margaret Eicher to Christine D., daughter of David N. and Mary Wengerd. Oct. 16.

Schwartz, Eicher - Amos E., son of Menno R. and Mary Schwartz to Martha F., daughter of Leroy and Fanny Eicher.

Schwartz, Schwartz - Samuel S., son of Sam M. Schwartz to Magdalena, daughter of Christ P. and Sarah Schwartz. Oct. 30.

LaGrange County, Indiana

Miller, Yoder - Ezra, son of Andrew Millers of Autreville, Michigan to Elma, daughter of Ervin and Annie (Troyer) Yoder. Sept. 25, by his grandfather, William P. Miller of Michigan.

Miller, Yoder - William, son of Monroe and Betty (Slabaugh) Miller to Susie, daughter of Ervin and Annie (Troyer) Yoder.

Oct. 2, by his grandfather, William P. Miller.

Hochstedler, Miller - Daniel, son of Harley and Emma (Miller) Hochstedler to Elsie, daughter of Mary (Hostetler) Miller and the late Ora W. Miller. Oct. 1, by Amzie Troyer.

Bontrager, Gingerich - Homer, son of Daniel and Mary (Hostetler) Bontrager to Irma, daughter of Alvin and Edna (Hostetler) Gingerich. Oct. 2, by Jacob Beachy of Ohio.

Miller, Lehman - Mervin E., son of Ezra E. and Anna (Bontrager) Miller to Katie Fern, daughter of Freeman & Susie

(Bontrager) Lehman. Oct. 7, by Daniel W. Beechy.

Miller, Lambright - Dewayne, son of Mervin and Vera (Yoder) Miller to Ida Mae, daughter of Harvey and Nettie (Hostetler) Lambright. Oct. 29

Yoder, Miller - Glen, son of Elmer and Katie (Otto) Yoder to

Ruby, daughter of Dan A. and Ida (Bontrager) Miller.

Yoder, Miller - David Wayne, son of David and Ada (Mast) Yoder to Mary Kathryn, daughter of John Jay and Katie Miller.

Gingerich, Bontrager - Calvin, son of Dewey and Edna (Bontrager) Gingerich to Alice, daughter of Daniel and Mary (Hostetler) Bontrager. Oct. 9, by George Gingerich of Bloomfield, Iowa.

Miller, Lehman - Floyd Ray, son of Harley and Wilma (Beachy) Miller to Elsie, daughter of Amos and Susie (Farmwald

Lehman. Oct. 9, by Eli S. Lehman.

Beachy, Hochstedler - Mervin, son of Alvin and Ida (Lehman) Beechy to Nola, daughter of Alvin and Edna Hochstedler. Oct. 14, by Jacob Beachy of Ohio.

Hochstedler, Miller - Mervin, son of Chris and the late Wilma (Christner) Hochstedler to Clara, daughter of Chris and Fannie Mae Miller. Oct. 16, by her grandfather David Nisley.

Otto, Miller - Fred, son of Jerry and Polly Anna (Eash) Otto to Ida Carolyn, daughter of Harvey and Susie Miller. Oct. 22.

Nappanee, Indiana

Helmuth, Miller - John, son of Andrew and Lovina (Schwartz)

Helmuth to Sue, daughter of Tobias and Clara (Frye) Miller. October 2, by Emery Yoder.

Miller, Yoder - Harry, son of Earl and Laura (Borkholder) Miller to Eva, daughter of Earl and Mary (Stutzman) Yoder. October 2, by Earl Miller.

Miller, Gingerich - Earl Jr., son of Earl and Laura (Borkholder) Miller to Cynthia, daughter of Alvin and Barbara (Plank) Gingerich. October 23, by Earl Miller.

### Allen County, Indiana

Graber, Graber - Michael, son of Menno and Ida Marie (Graber) Graber to Rosann, daughter of Joseph and Rosa (Schwartz) Graber, by Bishop Sam J. Graber on Sept 25.

Lengacher, Schwartz - Aaron, son of Alvin and Fannie Marie (Graber) Lengacher to Fern Marie, daughter of Joseph H. H. and Betty Jean (Eicher) Schwartz, by Bishop Noah Eicher, October 9

### Anabel, Missouri

Miller, Miller - Eli, son of Jacob J. and Maryann (Yoder) Miller to Sarah, daughter of Chriss L. and Amanda (Yoder) Miller by Bishop Simon W. Miller of Indiana on October 2.

### Pike County, Missouri

Girod, Borntrager - Davey, son of Enos T. and Fannie J. (Miller) Girod to Elizabeth, daughter of Rudy S. and Anna S. (Schwartz) Borntrager, by Bishop Jacob W. Eicher on October

Borntreger, Mast - Felty, son of Ike Borntragers, Bertha, Minn., to Lydia, daughter of Felty and Barbara (Miller) Mast. October 10, by Bishop Petie Burkholder.

Yoder, Schwartz - Amos, son of Andy and Betty (Miller) Yoder to Elizabeth, daughter of Noah S. and Lena J. (Miller)

Schwartz, by Bishop Jacob J. Miller, October 16

Bontrager, Schrock - Ervin, son of Ura and Sadie (Lambright) Bontrager to Elizabeth, daughter of Mose and Wilma (Yoder) Schrock, October 21 by Bishop Jacob J. Miller.

### Marshfield, Missouri

Schwartzentruber, Kauffman - Simon, son of Lewis Schwartzentruber to Laura, daughter of Alvin and Annie (Zook) Kauffman. Oct. 30.

Jamesport, Missouri

Kauffman, Troyer - Perry, son of Neal S. and Emma (Kramer) Kauffman to LuAnn, daughter of Bish. Ferman J. and Esther (Stutzman) Troyer. Oct. 9, by the brides' father.

Blair, Wisconsin

Borntrager, Miller - Levi Jr., son of Levi V. and Fannie Borntrager to Katie Ann, daughter of Moses J. and Clara Miller. By Bish. Chris C. Borntreger.

Bronson, Michigan

Schmucker, Schwartz - Ivan Jr., son of Ivan Schmucker to Rachel, daughter of Samuel Schwartz. By Abe Mast of Topeka, Indiana.

Norwich, Ontario

Miller, Miller - Gideon, son of Mose J. and Barbara (Stutzman) Miller to Mattie, daughter of Levi J. and Mary (Troyer) Miller. Oct. 30, by Bish. Eli Swartzentruber.

### **ORDINATIONS**

### Newport, New York

In the new Amish settlement in Newport, New York, Omar A. Peachy 34, was ordained minister, October 6th. A son of Abe Z. Peachey of Belleville. His wife is the daughter of Pre. Sam T. Peachy also of Newport, New York. Others in the lot was Jacob J. Peachy.

Lancaster County, Pennsylvania

Jonas E. Fisher age 38, son of Pre. Joe and Mattie Fisher of Ronks, Pa was ordained Deacon in Southwest Mt. Pleasant District, October 12. His wife is Sadie, daughter of Widower Amos Zook of Bird-in-Hand. Others in the lot were Daniel Beiler, Amos Esh, John Esh, Daniel King and David Glick.

David E. King age 37, of Bird-in-Hand, son of Widow Sarah King of Gordonville, Pa. was ordained Deacon in John Beilers North District on October 14. His wife is Malinda, daughter of Henry and Katie King of Georgetown, Penna. Others in the lot were Samuel Beiler, John Beiler, Elias Beiler, Christ Esh and Emanuel Esh.

John K. Zook age 36, of Quarryville, Penna. son of Bishop Joel and Mary Zook of Mt. Pleasant, Pa. was ordained minister in Northwest Union District October 13. His wife is Lydia, daughter of Pre. John and Annie Stoltzfus of Smyra. Others in the lot were Jake Glick, Joe Stoltzfus, Levi Lapp, Christ Stoltzfus, Ike King, Ivan Miller, Levi Fisher.

David L. Zook age 32, of Christiana, Pa. son of Pre. Samuel Zook of Smyra, Pa. was ordained minister in Samuel Kauffman West District, Nine Points October 12th. His wife is Mary Kauffman, daughter of Joe and Susie Kauffman of Nine Points, Penna. Others in the lot were Bennie Stoltzfus, John Stoltzfus, Jacob Stoltzfus, Jacob Kauffman and Jonas Stoltzfus.

Ephraim B. Stoltzfus, Christiana, Pa. age 25, son of widow Fannie Stoltzfus of Nine Points, Pa. was ordained mininster in Nine Points East District, October 16. His wife is Annie, daughter of John and Emma King of Georgetown. Others in the lot were Eli Esh, Joe Esh, Ben Esh, Ephraim Fisher, Joe Blank, Elam King, John Beiler, Sam S. Stoltzfus, Sam M. Stoltzfus, Jacob Kauffman and John Kauffman.

Jacob K. Swarey Jr. age 34, of Ronks, Pa., son of Jacob and Barbara Swarey also of Ronks, Pa. was ordained minister in John Beilers West District on October 17. His wife is Malinda, daughter of Gideon and Naomi Stoltzfus of Honey Brook, Pa. Others in the lot were Bennie Fisher, Amos M. Beiler, Amos S. Beiler and Andy Beiler.

Christ M. Stoltzfus age 25, of Quarryville, Pa. son of Pre. John and Susie Stoltzfus of Union, Pa. was ordained minister in South East Union District on October 17. His wife is Rachel, daughter of Amos L. and Ada Stoltzfus of Honeybrook, Pa. Others in the lot were Yonie Esh, Aaron King, Bennie Stoltzfus, Stevie Stoltzfus, Levi Stoltzfus, Abie Smoker.

Dauphin County, Pennsylvania

October 16 a minister was ordained, the lot fell on Elam Lapp of #2 Millersburg, age 27, son of Christ and Barbara Lapp, Irishtown. His wife Naomi is the daughter of John and Katie Stoltzfus, New Holland. With him in the lot were Sam Stoltzfus, Elam Stoltzfus and Benuel Fisher.

St. Marys County, Maryland

On October 19, Isaac Fisher Jr. 23, was ordained minister in the East District to fill the the vacancy left by his grandfather Israel Swarey. His wife is Barbara, daughter of Mose Hostetler of Path Valley, Pa. Isaac is the son of Isaac and Sarah Fisher of Mechanicsville, Maryland. Others in the lot were Daniel Stoltzfus, Amos Stoltzfus, Joe Stoltzfus, Sam Hertzler, Andy Swarey, John Fisher and Christie Swarey.

On October 21, Ben L. Stoltzfus 30, was ordained minister in the South District. He is the son of Mary Stoltzfus and the late Elam D. Stoltzfus. His wife Mary, is a daughter of Mose Hostetler of Path Valley, Pa. Others in the lot were Solly Yoder, Isaac Hostetler, John Esh and Gideon Kurtz.

Dover, Delaware

Adlia N. Mast 42, Hartley, was ordained minister October 11 in West District. He is a son of Noah D. and the late Anna Mast. His wife is Elizabeth, daughter of Jake J. and Sylvia Hershberger. His first wife was Amanda, daughter of Dan E. Yoder.

Adams County, Penna.

A minister was ordained and the lot fell on Jonas M. Beiler 28, of Littlestown, Pa. son of Jonas S. and Mary (King) Beiler of Ronks, Pa. His wife is Gertrude, daughter of Moses S. and Elizabeth A. (Swarey) Stoltzfus. Others in the lot were Stephen B. Fisher, Benjamin L. and Israel Z. Stoltzfus.

### Mifflin County, Penna.

Jacob E. Byler West District

Jacob E. Peachey 25, Belleville, Star Route was ordained a minister. Son of Eli D. and Linda (Byler) Peachey. He is married to Ada, daughter of Henry Kanagys.

Geauga County, Ohio

Eli W. Byler 37, son of Wally Bylers of Crawford County, Pa. was ordained minister in the Alvin Byler West District on October 5. He is married to Sylvia, daughter of Sam J. Weaver.

There were 6 in the lot.

David L. Mullet 35, #3 Middlefield, Ohio, son of Lester and Barbara Mullet was ordained minister in the Parkman East District on October 19. He is married to Betty, daughter of Jonas and Erma Gingerich. There were 9 in the lot.

Albert J. Mast 39, Orwell, Ohio, son of John and Anna Mast was ordained Bishop in the Bloomfield District on October 19. He is married to Barbara, daughter of Monroe T. and Maryann

Mast.

Monroe M. Miller Jr. 35, Middlefield, son of Monroe and Lydia S. Miller was ordained minister in the Mahlon Yoder South District October 11. He is married to Anna, daughter of John Kauffman.

### Southeastern Holmes County, Ohio

Melvin J. Miller West District

Dan, son of Deacon Gid Swartzentruber was ordained minister October 4. His wife Wilma, daughter of Eli J. Troyers.

Melvin J. Miller East District

Sylvanus Beachy, son of the late Henry Beachy was ordained minister October 11. His wife is a Alma, daughter of the late Noah N. Millers.

In Andy E. Yoder West District

Henry Troyer, son of Abe A. and the Katie Troyer was ordained minister October 10. His wife is Lizzie, daughter of Adam Millers.

Kenton, Ohio

In Middle District, Ora Beechy 34, son of Dan and Katie Beechy was ordained minister. Than the next day his brother Eli 37, was ordained Bishop in North East District.

LaGrange County, Indiana

Freeman Lambright age 36, son of the late Milton and Anna (Hochstedler) Lambright was ordained minister on October 11 in Will A. Yoder District. He is married to Ada, daughter of Deacon Atlee and Ella (Riegsecker) Troyer. Address is #2 Topeka, Indiana.

Harvey Miller 44, son of Jacob S.S. Miller was ordained minister October 12 in David Nisley District. His wife is Susie, daughter of Deacon Dan A. Millers, address is #3 Ligonier, Ind.

The lot of bishop fell on Noah, son of the late Joe B. and Lydia Troyer Miller in former Amos J. Mast District. She is Katie, daughter of Bishop Pete and Lizzie Miller. Address is 62707 LaGrange Road, Goshen, Indiana.

In Menno N. Yoder Shipshewana District, Chris, son of Joe B. Jr. and Mary Eash Miller was ordained deacon. He is 20 years old and is married to Lorene, daughter of William and Ada Yoder of Nappanee. Address is Shipshewana, Indiana.

Ray Miller, son of Bishop Joni B. and the late Polly Troyer Miller was ordained minister in Joni B. Miller District. He is 50 years old and is married to Edna, daughter of the late Eli and Lovina (Hershberger) Mast. Address is Topeka #1, Indiana.

Allen County, Indiana

Alvin Zehr, 29, R2 Grabill, son of Menno and Leah (Graber) Zehr was ordained minister. His wife is Mary, daughter of Amos D. Grabers.

LaPlata, Missouri

Lot for Bishop fell on Lewis S. Kauffman, October 29, he is 52 years old, a son of the late Sylvanus and Lizzie Kauffman.

Webster County, Seymour Missouri

Amos N. Schwartz ordained a deacon of October 5 in East District of Seymour, Missouri. He is a son of Menno D. Schwartz.

Amherst, Wisconsin

A deacon was ordained in South District. Out of 6 the lot fell on Henry J. Miller 31. He is the son of Joe H. Millers of Curtiss, Wisconsin. His wife is Edna, daughter of Ammon B. Millers of Amherst.



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### Chapter 16

The two cavalrymen on guard watched him coming. But his order was brief and sharp. They were to mount at once and race straight to Leer where Nicholas needed them. No quiver in his voice betrayed his worry, no suspicion came over the soldiers, for it was the cousin of the honorable commander Nicholas Lorenzen, that was speaking to them. They asked calmly who would guard the captives, and Frederick's reply: "I will. Hurry!" drove them quickly to the stables. Frederick had his own horse stabled there and with outward calm leaned on the door behind which he knew Hilla and her comrades were chained. Minutes of precious time were passing. The troopers were in no hurry and were looking in the house for a meal for the road. In mute, burning impatience Frederick strode up and down in front of the door, through which he thought he could hear groans of pain. His hand went involuntarily to his hunting knife with which he would cut Hilla's bonds. At last the two troopers swung themselves onto their mounts: "Straight to Leer, Squire?" came the question again. "To Leer!" he forced himself to answer, with growing inward torture.

They trotted through the gate and they could be seen between the fields; now at the river. The young man could restrain himself no longer; he pushed back the wooden bolt, kicked the door open, and entered the desolate room in which the destiny of his life would be decided. At his entry the men started up. Detley, the strongest of them, threw him a hate-filled look. But Frederick, disregarding them, stooped quickly to the girl and cut the ropes that tied her arms. Hilla did not open her eyes until the bonds fell off and her arms dropped weakly onto her lap. Neither with joy nor with horror, as in the past night, the girl now looked up at him. She seemed out of touch with reality. Her dark lashes filled with tears and her lips twitched, but she didn't say a word. Deepest pity seized Frederick, and only after several minutes was he able to say, "Stand up, Hilla, I am giving you your freedom. I am not to blame for your being here.

The face of the captive Detlev was suffused with a deep red; he clenched his fists and burst out in to evil laugh when he realized that Hilla knew the trooper. But she was unaware of her companions' anger.

She suddenly came to life and cried, "I don't want to be free if the rest are captive and suffering! Let me be—thanks for your good intention!"

"Go with him-now the world is opening up for

you," said Detlev. "You see how badly he wants to leave—go on, Hilla, and leave us!"

Frederick thought he now heard distant hoofbeats. Frightened by the girl's refusal and by the mocking words of the chained man which he did not understand, he nevertheless helped Hilla up from the sheaves.

"Walk to the door, Hilla, take a deep breath, look out, and you will want to be free. I will release your comrades too, but don't linger! I am risking this by myself, and the hour is very short!"

While speaking he began to remove the men's bonds. It was not easy, but now Hilla hastened to his aid and her keen eye and skilled hand helped him. Soon Detlev stood up, then the other two were freed. They gazed on the young man in perplexity and obstinacy rather than gratitude; only Hilla suddenly cast herself at his feet, trembling.

"Where shall we go? Is our father captured? Is our farmstead burned down? Where can we find protection, where shelter?"

"I know nothing about your people," said Frederick. "If they are living on the heaths they are threatened by the same danger and fate as yours!"

"They do not live there," answered Detlev, "But who are you that you know Hilla and are freeing us now, and what do you want of us?"

"I want you to hurry!" urged Frederick. "Like you, I must flee because I am releasing you. You know the paths and the countryside; you will find security much more easily than I! But wherever you live you cannot stay around here! The men who came with me will not stop or rest until they have tracked down every last Anabaptist and wiped them out! Therefore go as far as your feet can carry you!"

Hilla had listened anxiously to Frederick's words.
"You are fleeing on our account, sir! Don't do it;

don't join the outcasts!"

She raised her hands imploringly and was not deterred by her comrades' wrathful looks. Frederick turned to face her, but at that moment he was nearly knocked to the floor by the men he had just released. They obeyed Detlev's signal and stormed out of the barn, out across the isolated farmyard, and into the open fields as if they were afraid he would change his mind and detain them. Hilla was standing alone beside him, tears falling from her eyes.

'I would have shared trouble and death with them, but they are not concerned about what happens to me. And just yesterday Detlev asked me to marry

him!" she said, sobbing.

In Frederick's heart the girl's words fanned a slumbering glimmer. He looked at the charming figure, into her serious tearful face, and deepest pity, ardent longing, the certainty that like him she wished for a new life merged in a single feeling and in stormily urgent words he said: "He asked you to marry him and you refused? Why are you mourning for him, Hilla? I am a fugitive just like you. I must leave behind all I have called mine. I must ride over countrysides looking for a place to lay my head. Will you share that place with me, will you follow me, Hilla?"

He grasped her hand gently, but she threw her arms around him and shouted for joy.

"Wherever you wish, over the earth and under the earth! Only let me first warn Father Bernhard and our people. I could never rest at your side without

knowing they are safe!"

"Who is Father Bernhard?" asked Frederick with a shudder; a threatening cloud passed over his brow at this too sudden hard and sharp reminder of Hilla's origin. The ancient wrath and horror came over him so abruptly that he was at the point of pushing the Anabaptist girl away. For a moment he felt he had to flee from her and without her. But when she raised her dark eyes to him beseechingly and he saw shining in her face complete trustfulness, he collected himself and said, "What you wish shall be done. Let us make our way over the moor and then you may warn your people! But now we must not lose another moment or it will be too late for us and for them."

Frederick hurried to the stable. The troopers had forgotten to unsaddle his horse, and led it out. Thinking only of Hilla and himself, watching only the road by which his pursuers must come, he did not see that the blind farmer appeared in the doorway of the house until he had lifted the girl on the horse in front of him and the old man's voice rang out over the farmstead, "You are doing what is right, young man; but the wrath of your troops will strike us on the farm for it!"

### Chapter 17

Dumbfounded Frederick halted his horse. But the Moorhof farmer continued, "Don't worry about that. I may know a certain word that will drip water on the hot anger of the gentleman from Hamburg! Ride away. God grant you happiness, and tell those people on the moor I repent of the curse with which I once drove them from my door."

He went back inside in order not to hold Frederick, who was casting anxious glances round about, any longer. Hilla snuggled closer to Frederick and he gave the horse a slap with the reins. As they flew through meadow and stubble to the moor at the linden hill, he commanded his and Hilla's fate to heaven. The afternoon was far spent, but it was still light around them, and the young man looked across the wide plain with concern. Some anxious delight was mingled with the —although the girl was silent, every feature and every look she gave him was eloquent. As he felt her breath, as he clasped her more closely while a fresh breeze played about him he sensed the air of happiness and freedom.

Yet, he could not be at peace. He kept feeling as if in addition to the dear figure clinging to the horse's mane before him, there was behind him some threatening demonic being that was checking his speed! He would have liked to speed away swift as an arrow, but now came the stretches of moor. Hilla raised herself warning and pointing. He had to search for a safe path step by step, while he could fancy Nicholas and his cavalry rushing up in hot pursuit!

But the Moorhof, which had experienced so much commotion in so few hours, remained quietly at rest a long while after Frederick's departure. From the oak hedge extending along his meadows the blind owner listened to the hoofbeats of the gray horse until they vanished in the distance. Then he went down and stood between the walls of his stables with their gaping doorways. With feet and hands he felt the devastation round about him; straw scattered over the ground, the ashes of a campfire the troopers had built in the yard, even the clattering fetters he kicked in walking, a piece of chain brushed off by a freed man in flight. He remained calm, but Henry the shepherd, burst out in loud curses. When he went about restoring order in the yard the blind man intervened.

"Leave everything as it is! We are still in the storm. They have not finished their raving and will come again. The squire freed the Friesenhof men and the girl and is riding away with her!"

He pointed to the west. The shepherd's face

showed deep concern at these words.

"You allowed that to happen? They will come and blame you, regard you as a secret Anabaptist, and

have you brought to judgment."

"What could I, a blind helpless man, do against the squire, who bears a sword? They will be furious, but they will never take me to judgment, of that I am as sure as I am of my dead eye! Not those men, not the one who is riding at their head!"

Henry pricked up his ears, but the farmer was suddenly silent, and the shepherd knew he would not utter another word. The old man's tone had awed him, but he thought the mysterious words over and

controlled his fear of the strangers.

It was not yet quite dark when the mute calm was broken as on the preceding evening. Amid clanking and rumbling, with curses audible from afar, the troopers came flying. Two, three had rushed on ahead, looked into the barn where they had left Hilla and her companions that morning, turned their horses about, and shouted wild words to the onrushing troops. They stormed into the yard, they velled with roaring voices for the squire and the farmer. When the blind man appeared in the doorway of his house, several of them snatched him between their steaming horses and took him to the middle of the yard, where Nicholas, his voice hoarse and choking with rage, ranted at him: "Where is the fellow who has been doing all this? Where are the captives who were put in your care?'

"In my care, sir!" cried the farmer. "In my care? Your cousin, the squire, rode away with them! Am I supposed to know where they went? If you suspect me, Your Honor, take me to Emden. I will answer

any charges you wish to make."

Something akin to mockery lay in the old man's words. Wild curses by the horsemen resounded around them and the councillor said furiously, "Lies and deceit are in you as in the fellow who is driven out of his mind by lust. If you are willing to answer charges, then tell me whether you have never heard of a Friesenhof that lies hardly five miles from your

own farm! Why were you silent when we asked you? You may not know where the squire, who has disgraced my name, has gone, but you do at least know the way to that farm?"

"The Friesenhof?" said the blind man deliberately. "Fifty years ago there was such a farm out on the moor; it was burned down by lightning, the farmer moved away, and now it is said that peat miners and also fugitives have lived in the ruins. I don't know the way to it. I have never been on the moor!"

The troopers were fuming more and more wildly, angry because the day had not granted them even a moment's rest. They crowded threateningly around the blind man, who was firmly holding his ground against the councillor. Above the noise Walter's voice was suddenly heard saying, 'If the farmer does not know the way, let the shepherd find it. He was often on the moor. Just yesterday I saw him there. I followed his tracks when I was looking for the

The councillor trembled with rage whenever his cousin's name was mentioned. To Henry, who was about to withdraw, he cast a look of fury crying out, "You will guide us! On the spot, fellow; and this very night I am going to reach the farm, and I swear that I will not find that nest empty! If you refuse, or if you spin a new deception, you will not live to see the day!"

Anabaptists with whom Frederick has now escaped!"

Henry looked at his master helplessly. The blind man's stature, instead of stooping, seemed to grow taller and taller. Amid the tumult raging around him he asked quietly, "Is the old man at the Friesenhof

still living, Henrich?"

"He is living!" whispered the shepherd as the

cavalrymen crowded closer around him.

"Then guide His Honor!" cried the blind man in a loud voice. "Guide him, since you know the way; guide him to the place as he wishes and leave to God what will happen later!" The old man's tone was measured almost solemn. Several of the troopers looked back at him in surprise. For a moment all was quiet. But Nicholas, who in his anger heard nothing but the words "guide him," responded sullenly.

### Chapter 18

"He shall guide me, whether you wish it or not! Walter will stay here and, with you, Conrad, see to it that the farmer does not leave the place or play a treacherous trick on us. The rest of you, hurry! Let's go, fellow, we are ready. Commend your soul to the devil if you are planning not to guide us honestly!" Without a word Henry accepted a staff, the soldiers grouped themselves around the Councillor, a torch was lit, and again they rode out into the night that lay over the countryside. The servants were almost afraid to stay close to the commander, who was forcing the shepherd to hurry with blows and shoves, and whose eyes flashed angrily over all of them.

Even the mercenaries were silent. They were perhaps thinking of the moment in the afternoon when Nicholas discovered Frederick had not lost his way among the marshes after all. The horsemen that Frederick had sent away to Leer had come upon Nicholas and his troop not far from the place and had been received with wild questioning. When the Councillor learned Frederick was alone with the captives he understood the true state of affairs. But he himself was seized with such fury that he was at the point of dashing off to the Moorhof without his soldiers.

His outbursts of bitterness grew steadily more furious, so that now, as the troopers rode over the heath, Veit, the old foot soldier, whispered in ill-humor. "He acts almost as if he had to bear the world's sin. After all, he is angry only because we know what happened. If we had not heard about it, I swear he would not find the sin so damnable!"

Henry, the shepherd, was meanwhile vigorously striding ahead of the urgent Councillor, holding the torch high. The path led beside a creek that was gliding to the river, over interminable stretches of moor. The isolated area lay in deep darkness. Not a sound was heard, not a creature flew up, and only the hoofbeats of the horses, the clanging of arms, the angry words of Nicholas urging himself, his troopers, and his guide to hurry, resounded in the stillness of the night. The path became narrower and more difficult as the night ride proceeded on and on amid loud oaths. The horses' steps became less sure. Now and then a rider stayed far behind and detained the procession with his calls that echoed far through the night.

"Let the rascals suffocate in the swamp if they don't want to follow," stormed Nicholas. "Their calling will rouse and warn the brood that lives there.

On, fellow, or my horse will drive you on!"

Henry quickened his step, he lifted the torch higher, and the Councillor did not see the derision spreading over the shepherd's lined face. Calls and curses came from a distance, the moor was getting

boggier, and wide ditches had to be jumped.

Scarcely two of the horsemen were still following the upraised torch with Nicholas; the rest could no longer see it. Before the Councillor, a view of the heath opened up, which lay in the middle of the moor and at the end of which was the Friesenhof. As yet he could distinguish nothing, but the barking of a dog told him he was not far from his goal and stimulated all his wild eagerness.

He spurred the horse to exert its strength, and as the animal felt the meadows of the heath and firm ground under his feet, it dashed forward leaving Henry behind. In the darkness, the gray walls arose out of the depression on the moor. A candle was apparently burning and Nicholas rushed past the peat huts, followed by only one cavalryman, to the entry to the farmyard.

The gate was closed. He dropped from his horse and with a kick broke down the rotten wood. He did not see the shepherd's torch on the heath go out nor hear the distant calls of his troopers anymore. He stormed toward the light over a stone doorway, followed by a rider.

Blinded, he was thrown back a moment. Dense smoke poured through the doorway. A big peat fire glowed in the fireplace, and a lighted torch was burning in its socket. But in the midst of the blinding, he heard a horrified outcry, and even without the outcry he would have recognized Frederick, who jumped up from a bench on which Hilla was resting and snatched his sword from the floor. Filled with renewed strength the Councillor's voice rang out through the room: "Forget the weapon, boy! Away with the weapon, I say, or my troopers will cut you

down! If you want to protect the girl, then protect her from the flames-the stake is her certain fate!'

He dashed wildly upon Hill; once Frederick threw him forcibly back. The horseman hurried to his assistance. At that moment the woven door to the adjacent room opened and the old man who lived there appeared. The light of the pine splinter fell full on his face; the gold chain that usually hung on the wall, shone on his dark robe. His voice sounded loud, sharp, and resolute through the room.

'The stake? Is that all the love you have for your

grandchild, Nicholas Lorenzen?

The Councillor turned with glazed eyes and looked petrified at the approaching old man, and his face, red with wrath, grew paler than Hilla's and Frederick's. He fell back and grasped the stone of the

'Bernhard!'' he cried out. "Bernhard Rothmann!" "Bernhard Rothmann-you see correctly, Nicholas! The orator of King Jan van Leyden in the days when you, a chieftain of the Anabaptists stood on the ramparts of Munster! You have transformed yourself in the forty years since we saw each other last! When the Anabaptists were raging as bloody fanatics in their Zion you were one of them, and since they have been living in the peace of God, penitent for the things that took place years ago, seeking peace and quiet prayer-since that you have been bloodily persecuting them.

You were their comrade when wild desires and bloody abominations reigned among them-and now you have become their enemy, and are fiercely persecuting them like Saul! When you were young you took five wives in Munster and today you want to punish the boy for wanting a wife after his own heart. Call your henchmen, Nicholas Lorenzen, have them seize your granddaughter; you can burn her on the hill under your favorite wife, Elsbeth, and your

daughter rest!'

Deep silence, broken only by the groans of the Councillor, who was leaning limply against the hearth, followed the old man's words. Out in the hall Henry and another horseman came in, and others seemed to be approaching the gate. Bernhard Rothmann spoke again: "Do you want to summon your troopers or do you want to be alone with uswith your children?

Nicholas made a sign that Frederick, who had been standing there stupefied, understood. He went to the door and in a firm voice said to Henry, "Keep the horsemen away from here. Let them take shelter in the other rooms. My cousin will call them when we need them. Now we have to talk and plan; no one else needs to hear it.'

### Chapter 19

The shepherd, who was watching the proceedings with amazement and a sudden presentiment of the truth, obeyed. He had some difficulty keeping them back. Wild curses of more cavalrymen could already be heard in the entry and more than one glanced into the living room, where Hilla had now dropped to the feet of her persecutor and was looking up at him, while his eyes wandered from her face to Rothmann's and from his back to hers. He was still unable to say a word. He was shivering.

With a muted earnest voice the old man of the

Friesenhof continued: "Have you so easily forgotten what lies behind you? I saw you for the first time when I, under a drunken delusion, dast the gospel aside and was called a prophet of Munster at the same time as Jan Mattheisen and Jan the Tailor. You had fled from your home in Hamburg like thousands of others to find in Munster the new kingdom, the new world. You were one of the bloody fighters; you opposed me when Jan van Leyden proposed himself as king and I voted against him. You were well content with the commands of the king of Zion-do you never recall the house at the Ludger Gate in Munster where you lived in splendor and luxury and where five young wives waited for you? I see their faces as if alive before me—even those that I have not seen since Munster, and you, whose they were, have forgotten them so completely that you do not recognize your wife in your grandchild?'

'This girl-my granddaughter? How did she get to you? How did you get here—the world thought you had fallen in the last battle at Munster,"

stammered, overcome by all this.

But you surely knew that the sword did not get me," answered Rothmann. "Have you also forgotten that winter day when after the fall of the city our comrades fell victim to the executioner's hand in thousandfold tortures? Like me, you remained hidden. Like me, you were standing among the thousands staring at the bloody spectacle. Like me, you were wrapped in a peasant's cloak and you had the same hope as I of escaping in the confusion of people streaming out of Munster.

And at noon on the day I led you out of the city, nearly beside yourself with fear, you escaped with

other comrades.

One morning, in the Freren woods, we found fugitive women from Munster, among them your pregnant wife, Elsbeth. And two days later, Nicholas Lorenzen, when we asked for shelter at the Moorhof over on the Ems, you had disappeared. Elsbeth shed many tears for you-we never heard from you again

until today!

Now I hear you went home at that time, that you were able to conceal your former associations, that for thirty years you have had a seat on the council of your city, orthodox, honorable, strict in word and deed! I hear how you are pursuing fanatics and condemn the impetuous blood of youth. I see how you are breaking in here, how you are threatening death to those who want nothing but to reclaim a life. You have forgotten too much, Nicholas, however long the time may be!'

'And you-you, Bernhard Rothman?'' gasped the

Councillor.

'I? I had time to remember my sins. God has granted me year upon year since that morning. With a small remnant of companions in misfortune I looked for shelter on the high moor. One of the men among us knew of the ruins of this house. Hungry and cold we moved in, in want and misery. Constantly in fear of death, we won some fields from the moor and heath. With fear we ventured to take our small winnings over into Holland. Often we lacked everything. With us there were wives without husbands and among us children grew up without fathers! As the years passed and the delusions that had filled us in Munster declined, as I realized the crime and blood-guiltiness burdening my soul, I willingly accepted our life on the moor, the isolation and privation, and so we have been living-for fourty

years!

Those who came from Munster have died—all but me; a new generation has grown up and to them I could be a teacher of the Scriptures, and couselor and helper. I could serve them in order to atone for the guilt. I did not forget what deeds I committed, and if I had wanted to forget, you have seen to it that even in my last days penitence for my sins lies upon me like a mountain, so that I trembled for those who had no part in the crimes and sins of their fathers—our sins, Nicholas Lorenzen!-but nevertheless have to suffer for them. You have come to search for fanatics, for prophets of Baal on this earth, over which your feet once fled, you, who once stood as a servant beside Jan van Leyden's throne!"

Imploring, the Councillor now raised his hand to

the angry old man.

"Have mercy, Bernhard Rothmann-as truly as you yourself hope for mercyl I hardly know what made me come here; it was a vague desire to know whether all knowledge of what happened then has been dispelled by time-a fear that another might find evidence of other Anabaptists here other than

those I was looking for."

"Indeed," cried Rothmann bitterly, "other Anabaptists, poor grubbers in the Scriptures, believers who are awaiting the millennium-men and women whose mind and conduct is so pure and peaceful that they shudder at the mere mention of what you and I did—those you are damning! And this young man, who is guilty only of not wanting to live under your compulsion and pressure, him you are threatening with shame and death!"

"I would have left this countryside two days ago. I saw before me the shades you are invoking," said the Councillor. "I was practically forced to stay here; I have had a premonition of disaster ever since I recognized the blind man of the Moorhof and he listened to my voice. I would have retreated-the Emden Councillor and this young fool held me back, and now it has turned out like this.

"Now that it has turned out like this, you were intending to eliminate the shades with fire and sword, weren't you, Nicholas Lorenzen?" interrupted

A new silence followed. The torch had burned down, and in the dimness fitfully lighted by the glow of the fire, stood the figures. Frederick had raised Hilla from her knees and with gentle force led her away from the Councillor. Confused and almost imploring aid, the proud stern man looked at Rothmann and Frederick. With a full heart he said, "And the girl, Rothmann, is the daughter of my daughter! This girl whom Frederick has chosen to marry, as you say?'

### Chapter 20

He was about to go to the trembling girl, in whose face Frederick again saw the expression he had noticed on their first encounter but which he had been unable to interpret until now. But now when the Councillor approached the young man, with an abrupt movement Rothmann placed himself in front of the girl as if to protect her and said, "Don't force your heart, Nicholas. Hilla grew up without love and has now found love which with God's help is going to protect her. Don't force yourself; it could happen again that you come across children and grandchildren and threaten them with death by fire.

Nicholas stepped back and again leaned, motionless and mute, against the hearth until he asked in a toneless voice, "And what is to happen, Bernhard Rothmann? How is all this to end?"

'My time is spent!" answered the old man. "I praise God He has preserved me to this hour. The people I called mine have been dispersed by the terror of these days. I hope they will fare well upon this earth! For they are not Anabaptists, as you mistakenly assume. You and I are the only ones in this solitary place who have been rebaptized.

"When I am no longer living, even the justice you have been practicing out there can't find any guilt in them. I will not have to defend myself before any earthly judge, only the One above us. You will feel easier when you know that I am no longer among the living. These young people may go in peace, over the sea, where youthful courage and hope are impelling them to go and where Hilla can repay Frederick for having shown mercy to her."

For a long time Nicholas made no reply. Rothmann sank back exhausted on the bench where Hilla had rested. Frederick and Hilla embraced more closely and smiled with new hope as the gloomy look of the

Councillor wandered over to them.

"And me, what is to happen to me? The cavalrymen, the shepherd, heard what you said. They are sitting over there in discussion. I cannot cross over to England like Frederick, not die like you," screamed Nicholas. "I must go back into the world, back to Hamburg!"

"That's just it, Nicholas Lorenzen," said the old man, his voice growing fainter. "You yourself-that is all you think about. You are telling the truth. Rumor will attach itself to your heels; they will whisper and point in your world. But you have worked honorably, strictly, and without joy for forty years, and so the rumor will not attach itself permanently to your name. It is up to you to silence it. But if you desire, after I am gone, to pursue these young people and in your way try to destroy the evidence that reaches back to Munster days, the rumor will arise from the ground and testify against you a thousandfold.

"I have no desire—I was the persecutor and have become the persecuted!" said the Councillor sullenly. "What can I do for you?" he added turning to the young couple.

"Nothing, cousin Nicholas, I want nothing from you. Just avoid slandering me in Hamburg or in the steel yard in London, and then let me go there. And

you take care of yourself.'

At these words the Councillor aroused himself. He quickly crossed the room, and before Frederick could prevent it, kissed Hilla's brow. The girl shuddered at the touch of her ancestor and fled to Rothmann, on whose bosom she buried her tear-stained face. Nicholas looked at Frederick pleadingly, "I must go to my troopers and tell them and explain!" He did not finish, but Frederick understood him. "I'll follow you!" he said and walked with him to the threshold, across which the Councillor had earlier stormed and across which he staggered out of the room. Hilla and Rothmann remained alone. Hilla had embraced the old man, and for the first time in many years his ruefurrowed face lighted up in brief happiness. Nicholas

Lorenzen turned away trembling, but Frederick

looked at the girl with silent happiness.

On the following day, the summer sun arose glowing. At the walls of the old Friesenhof, which stood empty and lonely again, the cavalrymen of the Councillor of Hamburg, and Henry, the shepherd, prepared a grave and laid into it the old man whom they had briefly seen on the previous evening and who had died during the night. With a gloomy and sick face, the Councillor and the girl weeping aloud and firmly held in Frederick's arm gave the body a last look. None of the horsemen knew who the old man was. The only one who had gone in with Nicholas, and the shepherd, held their peace.

They parted at the grave, and now the desolation of the moor was enlivened by forms on both sides. To the east toward the Ems Valley rode Nicholas and those who had followed him to the moor on the past night. Without a word, without stern orders, with difficulty keeping his seat, rode the commander. Behind him, sounded the voices of the troopers, fearless and loud, interpreting the past events among

themselves.

But to the northwest, where the road led from the moor to the sea, a gray horse carried Frederick and Hilla. The procession making its way to the river valley had long since vanished from their view. From an elevation on the moor they looked once more, moist-eyed, back to the heath that lay far off in the sunlight. Then they embraced each other more closely and turned their faces out toward a new life and new hope.

THE END

# Prayer of an old Disciple "At evening it shall be light." Zech. 14:7

My Father, I would rest upon Thy Word; I need a safe and easy resting place Where my faith's visit never can be blurred while I behold the shining of Thy face.

My Father, in the battlefield of life
I need to realize that Thou art near;
Then, though prolonged and fierce should be the
fight

It cannot cause Thy child one faithless fear.

My Father, soon the shadows of the night May dim & hide my rough and lonely way, As now, and then shall need Thy guiding light so that I may not fail or go astray.

My Father, I am old and getting frail, Alas! I am not what I used to be; Lest I at any time should halt, or fail, Do Thou uphold, or even carry me.

My Father, many dear to me are gone
To where the weary have Eternal rest;
I need Thy help that I may follow on
To where Thou art and those whom Thou hast so
hlest.

# TO RECALL A FEW MEMORIES OF THE PAST

THE SPEICHER-PYKER-SPICHER FAMILY

CONTINUED FROM LAST MONTH

The next child of Christian J. and Anna (Eash) Yoder is (361) Lydia Yoder (325) born 1854, died 1911, married to Joseph C. Schrock, born 1854, son of Cornelius and Magdalena (Bontrager) Schrock, they had two surviving children and four died in infancy. (362) Anna Schrock (361) born 1878, in LaGrange County, Indiana, married to Samuel J. Mast, born 1877, died 1940, son of Joseph E. and Barbara (Stutzman) Mast, Samuel J. Mast was ordained minister in 1919 at Middlebury, Indiana. They had several children (363) Joseph S. Mast (362) married to Amelia Yoder, they have two children, Amos J. Mast, married Sadie Beachy and Samuel J. Mast, married Ida Mae Lehman. (364) Abraham S. Mast (362) born 1901, married Leah Lambright. He was ordained a minister in 1952 and bishop in 1953 in the southwest Topeka District. (365) Amos S. Mast (362) married Sarah Yoder. (366) Lydia Mast (362) married to John C. Hochstetler, Middlebury, Indiana. (367) Susie S. Mast (362) married

(369) Magdalena Schrock (361) born 1882, married to Samuel J. Whetstone, son of John and Gertrude (Eash) Whetstone, to them were born eleven children in LaGrange County. Samuel J. Whetstone was ordained a minister in 1916 in the Forks District. They had several children (370) Joseph S. Whetstone (369) born 1903, married to Amelia Hershberger, he was ordained deacon in the West Barnes District in 1942, and later moved to Pike County, Curryville, Missouri, where most of their children live today, a son-in-law, Daniel Eicher was ordained minister there in 1969. (371) Elizabeth Whetstone (369) born 1905, married to Nathaniel Miller, Topeka, Indiana. (372) Henry Whetstone (369) married Edna Christner, Shipshewana. (373) John Whetstone (369) married

Daniel D. Miller. (368) William S. Mast (362) married

Ida Kauffman, Middlebury, Indiana.

Rosa Eash.

The youngest child of Christian and Anna (Eash) Yoder of number (325) is (374) Sarah Yoder (325) born 1859, in LaGrange County, married to David J. Yoder, born, 1858, in Holmes County, Ohio, son of Jonathan and Catherine (Yoder) Yoder. Their children born in LaGrange County are:

1. Anna Yoder, married to Andrew Schrock.

2. Katie Yoder, born 1883, died 1887.

3. Lydia Yoder, married Jacob Schmucker.

4. Elizabeth Yoder, born 1891, died 1896.

5. Polly Yoder, married Eli J. Christner.

6. William D. Yoder married Katie Ann Yoder, he married second to Lizzie, widow of Daniel J. Bontrager, their son Ernest Yoder was ordained minister in the West Barrens District in 1963.

The next child of Daniel and Catherine (Stutzman) Eash number (283) of June issue of The Diary is (375) Moses Eash (283) born 1828, at Jerome in Northern Somerset County, died 1915, married to Polly Wingard, born 1831, daughter of Jacob and Maria (Lehman) Wingard. Their children were:

- 1. Elizabeth Eash, married Jacob Miller.
- 2. Daniel Eash, born 1853, died 1854.
- 3. Henry Eash, married Annie Kauffman.
- 4. Susannah Eash, married Henry Reynolds.
- 5. Catherine Eash, married George Franklin Wis-
- 6. Jacob Eash, married Annie Taylor.
- 7. Mary Eash, married Lewis Baumgardner.
- 8. John Eash, born 1865, died 1880.
- 9. Sadie Eash, married Harry J. Kauffman.
- 10. Laura Eash, married Levi Yoder.
- 11. Polly Eash, born 1873, died 1875.
- 12. Moses Eash, born 1875, died 1879.

These families lived mostly in northern Somerset and Cambria Counties in the vicinity of Jerome, Hollosopple, Davidsville and Johnstown, after the Conservative Amish moved to points further west and south these families became affiliated with the more liberal churches such as the Luthern, Brethren, Dunkard, Baptist, Mennonite and other groups. There are a few of these married to Kauffmans which were grandchildren of Isaac and Polly (Lehman) Kauffman. This Isaac was referred to by some as rich Isaac Kauffman as he was a large land owner in northern Somerset County as well as in a few western states, he was a bank director as well as a large stock holder in the Pennsylvania Railroad.

The next child of John and Anna (Speicher) Stutzman of number (213) (see the March 1980 issue of The Diary) is (376) Elizabeth (Stutzman) (213) born 1796, died 1879, married to Yost Yoder, born 1792, died 1836, in Somerset County, at forty three years of age, leaving four children, the court appointed John Bontrager their guardian, but after John Bontrager decided to move to Indiana, David Lehman and Christian Fike were appointed in his place. The four children were:

- 1. Nancy Yoder, married Joseph D. Miller.
- 2. Daniel Yoder, married Susan Ream.
- 3. Jacob Yoder, married Barbara Miller.
- 4. Samuel Yoder, married Mary Bontrager.
- (377) Nancy Yoder (376) born 1815, died 1898, married to Joseph D. Miller, born 1816, died 1875, at Wheatland, Missouri. Their children were:
  - 1. Daniel P. Miller, married Anna Hershberger.
- 2. Fannie Miller, married Thomas Nelson, they were Mennonite and lived at White Cloud, Michigan.
- 3. Joseph P. Miller, married Martha Worthinger of White Cloud, Michigan.
- 4. Moses P. Miller, married Eva Hostetler.
- 5. Milo Miller, married Mildred Mishler.
- 6. Jacob P. Miller, married Fannie Hostetler, he was a minister in the church and a presiding Elder of the Michigan Mennonite Churches.
  - 7. Nancy Miller, married John J. S. Miller.
- 8. Samuel P. Miller, married Katie Raber of Fairview, Michigan.
- (377) Daniel P. Miller (376) born 1837 in Somerset County, died 1911 in LaGrange County, Indiana,

married to Anna Hershberger, born 1842, daughter of Joseph and Fanny (Miller) Hershberger, they lived at Middlebury, Indiana and had the following children.

1. Joseph D. Miller, born 1858, married Catherine

Johns.

- 2. Samuel B. Miller, born 1860, married Fanny Miller, second to Mary Hochstetler, widow of Josiah Eash, their children moved mostly to Illinois and were intermarried with the later Alasian emmigrants with names such as Nafzinger, Sutter, Roth, Stalter and others.
- 3. Sarah Miller, born August 1862, died October 1862.
- 4. Susan Miller, born 1863, a deaf mute.
- 5. Daniel D. Miller, married Nettie Hochstetler, Bishop of Mennonite Church at Middlebury, Indiana.
- 6. Andrew Miller, married Lamora Ringler.
- 7. Elizabeth Miller, married C. J. Kropf.
- 8. John D. Miller, married Malinda Mehl.
- 9. Abraham Miller, married Mary E. Miller.
- 10. Edwin Miller, married Chris Nofziger.
- 11. Henry Miller, married Jennie A. Grenert.
- 12. William D. Miller, married Luella Stouder.
- 13. Katie Pearl Miller, married first to Harry D. Miller, second to Almon P. Hostetler.

It seems most of the descendants of the Daniel P. Miller family became affiliated with the Dunkard, Brethern and Mennonite Churches but would like to bring out a few points of this family as there were several deaf mutes in this family.

(378) Joseph D. Miller (377) born 1858, died 1901, married to Catherine Johns, daughter of Daniel and Polly (Yoder) Johns of Middlebury, Indiana. Joseph was ordained a minister in the Amish Church in Indiana. Their children were in Iowa, Illinois and some were in Indiana.

(379) Andrew D. Miller (377) and number six of the above list was born 1866, married to Lamora Ringler, daughter of Galentine and Polly (Miller) Ringler, of South Bend, Indiana, to them were born eight children and all but the two oldest ones were deaf mutes.

(380) Henry D. Miller (377) number eleven of the above list was born at Goshen, Indiana, in 1876, married first to Jennie A. Grenert, daughter of Michael and Caroline (Jones) Grenert. Henry and his wife Caroline were both deaf mutes and had two children who could hear and speak well. Henry attended the institute for the Deaf at Indianapolis in 1887 to 1895. He was also President of the Deaf Mute Christian Endeavor Society of Northern Indiana organized by himself.

(381) William D. Miller (377) number twelve in the list above and brother to Andrew and Henry born 1878, at Pashan, Indiana, married Luella Stouder, they were of the Brethern Faith and he attended the Institution for the Deaf at Indianapolis. To them were born ten children, all deaf mutes. Their names are:

- 1. Ruth Mae Miller, born 1901, married Howard Van Rhude.
- 2. Rosa Ann Miller, born 1903, married Martin
- 3. Joseph Samuel Miller, born 1905.

- 4. Susan Edna Miller, born 1908, married Robert Trainer.
- 5. Daniel Milo Miller, born 1911, died 1911.
- 6. Minnie Fannie Miller, born 1912.
- 7. Paul William Miller, born 1915.
- 8. Doshia Miller, born 1918.
- 9. Delbert Dale, born 1921.
- 10. Estella Martha, born 1924.

Another child of Joseph D. and Nancy (Yoder) Miller is (382) Samuel P. Miller (377) born 1857 in LaGrange County, Indiana, married to Katie Raber, daughter of Daniel and Susanna (Nafzinger) Raber. We want to point out a few of their children. (383) Minnie May Miller (382) born 1890, married to Henry J. Glick, born 1884, in Union County, Pennsylvania, son of Samuel and Catherine (Sharp) Glick, Henry Glick moved with his Amish parents to Mifflin County, when nine years of age where he grew to manhood and then married to Minnie Miller, who lived at Fairview, Michigan. In their retirement years they came to Lancaster County, where he was widely known because of being a McNess Products Dealer which covered quite a few miles. One of their children named Carl Glick married to Elizabeth Enck, was lost in an airplane crash on a trip to Alaska, in the late 1950's. There were three more of Samuel P. Miller's children of number (382) in Lancaster County, Christian R. Miller, married to Linda Mast, Gap, Pennsylvania, Samuel Edwin Miller lived at Parkesburg and was married to Elizabeth Engle. And Otto Miller born 1901, at Holden, Missouri and married to Anna Blank of Christiana, Pennsylvania.

The next child of Yost and Elizabeth Stutzman of number (376) is (384) Daniel Yoder (376) of Middlebury, Indiana, born 1829 in Cambria County, died 1899, married to Susan Ream, born 1830, also in Cambria County, Pennsylvania. Their children were of the Mennonite Faith.

1. Joseph Yoder, born 1854, married Barbara

Hochstetler, Shipshewana.

2. Lorenzo Yoder, born 1856, married Anna Gardner, Middlebury.

3. Elizabeth Ann Yoder, born 1858, married first to Jacob Blough, second to John J. Miller.

4. Mary Ann Yoder, born 1860, married to Daniel Schrock.

- 5. Amaniah Yoder, born 1866, married to Ada
- 6. Masellas Yoder, born 1862, married to Mary Ann Berkey.

The next child of Yost and Elizabeth (Stutzman) is (385) Jacob Yoder (376) of LaGrange County, born 1831, in Cambria County, Pennsylvania, married to Barbara Miller, daughter of Jacob and Fanny (Hershberger) Miller. They were Amish in LaGrange County, Indiana. Their children were:

- 1. George Yoder born 1855, Somerset County, married to Mary Miller, he was a carpenter and engineer also Justis of the Peace and lived at Calio, North Dakota.
  - 2. Edward Yoder, born Jan. 1857, died Feb. 1857.
  - 3. Lydia Yoder, born 1858, married James Mishler.

4. Jacob J. Yoder, born 1861, married Sarah Miller,

Elida, Ohio.

5. William Yoder, married Matilda Smith.

6. Samuel J. Yoder, married Emiline Harold, Massillon, Ohio.

7. Fannie Yoder, married Josiah Miller.

8. Lizzie Yoder, born 1872, married Samuel Hochstetler, Amboy, Indiana.

9. Andrew Yoder, born 1875, died 1900.

10. Susan Yoder, born 1879, married Michael J. Lambright, born 1874, son of Jacob and Sarah (Yoder) Lambright. They were Mennonite of La-Grange County, Indiana, their son Evan Lambright married to Clara Speicher, was a taxi driver in LaGrange County. Another son Fred operated the Shipshewana Sales Barn. A daughter of Michael married Tobias Schrock whose son Walter Lee Schrock, is the owner of the Shipshewana Sales and Livestock Auction.

The youngest child of Yost and Elizabeth (Stutzman) Yoder is (386) Samuel Y. Yoder (376) born 1834, in Stony Creek Township, Somerset County, died 1914, at Iman, Kansas, married to Mary Bontrager, born 1839, daughter of Christian and Elizabeth (Baumgardner) Bontrager, they had one daughter Elizabeth Yoder, married to Daniel A. Miller, born 1852. They also moved to Iman, Kansas.

The above mentioned Christian Bontrager moved from Somerset County to Newbery Township, La-Grange County, Indiana in 1841, and then in the spring of 1886, they moved to McPherson County, Kansas, where he died in 1907, at 91 years of age, his wife Elizabeth, died there in 1903.

A Bible the old man was holding on his knees slid to the floors as Hilla Entered. He was about to pick it up. But when he became aware of the girl's excitement and saw the light in her eyes never seen before, he forgot everything else.

By Amos L. Fisher - To be continued

### God's Love

God's love will shine forever For all—the mortal man; He hears. He sees. He knows our hearts More than we understand.

And when we have a problem, No matter how big or small, He never turns away from us-He helps us, one and all.

And when our hearts are happy, He is happy too, For we are all His children Beneath the Heaven so blue.

So let us show our love to Him Each day in humble prayer, And let us always turn to Him, Each day in humble prayer, And let us always turn to Him, For He is always there. He has so much to share!

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# Big Smoke Mountain

# CONTINUED FROM LAST MONTH

His feet were tied together, as before, and then the horse was turned

sticking to the horse's back. Many cries of approval greeted him. The The bucking and bawling that followed promptly were something frightful. But after a quarter of an hour or more of it, Zally was still vicious brute was not at the end of his resources, however.

Dropping to the ground suddenly, he was about to roll over, intending to get rid of his burden in that way. But several Indians, the scar-faced warrior among them, leaped forward and pricked him with their lances till he was glad to get up.

Scarcely was the beast on his feet when he reached around and tried to seize the rider's leg with his teeth. Zally struck the open mouth with his fist and clawed it with his nails. An Indian ran up and handed him a heavy stick. A few raps over the animal's head put an end to the biting.

Failing in that, the mustang suddenly dashed away toward the drove, kicking and jumping as he ran. He was soon among the hundreds of other

Now had come Oscar's time to ride again. And the second wild horse, struggling and snorting in the hands of several Indians, was very close by, ready and waiting.

The captive was promptly set astride the horse, and his feet were tied together. Then the animal was turned loose.

To the rider's no small surprise, all that the horse did was to set off at a gallop toward the drove, neighing as he ran, and kicking up his heels a few times on the way. Oscar was wonderfully relieved, and especially so when he had no further trouble.

Zally was still having to watch the vicious brute he had been tied on.

Every now and then he belabored him with the stick.

"I'm afeard he'll flop down and try to turn on top of me ag'in!" he called out to Oscar, a hundred yards away. "Mash me as flat as a pancake if he did onct roll over!"

Oscar approached on his horse, winding his way through the grazing

drove, till the two boys were close together.

"Zally, it was mighty good of you to ride that horse when they wanted to tie me on 'im. It would have been the last of Oscar Wheeler if you light this morning. This fellow didn't do anything to speak of. He's hadn't. He'd have killed me in a minute, that savage beast. Don't see how you ever rode 'im. I'd like to ride like that, but I can't. I got off almost gentle. Must have had somebody on 'im before. I can guide 'im by slapping on the side of the head, like I do father's horses, when I haven't any bridle."

"I ruther guessed he wouldn't give much trouble, when they fetched 'im over. That's what made me step up and offer to straddle this varmint. You can see chunks of meanness stickin' out all over him."

"Why did you think my horse wouldn't give trouble, Zally? I was scared to death of 'im, he capered about so."

"Well, he's branded for one thing -- back there on the hip. That show he's been handled before. And then he's got some saddle-marks, though

you can't hardly see 'em. The people he was stole from used to ride 'im.

That's what makes 'im so easy managed."

with a stick. Several times, while the cavalcade was marching through woods, the horse, with no little cunning, would rush under low-hanging at one side or the other. Finally the savage brute seemed to realize that he Today's march had one advantage: Oscar could guide his horse, and kept him, usually, within a few yards of Zally's. Zally's animal proved troublesome during most of the day. More than once he tried to lie down or bite, and was only kept from doing so by vigorous raps over the head limbs, trying to rake his rider off. But the boy escaped by dodging down, was outwitted. After that he tramped along quietly enough; though he still appeared to be thinking - trying to invent some new expedient.

his troublesome horse, Zally could do nothing, but he called his friend's As on the day before, the captives were left sitting on their horses But not long after the beginning of the afternoon march, they passed through some brushy country, where grew many black-haw bushes. With attention to them. Some of the haws were still only red; but Oscar succeeded in breaking off two good-sized limbs, both heavily laden with ripe, black fruit. One limb he tossed to Zally, and thus the captives during the noontime rest. And nothing was given them to eat or drink. satisfied their hunger.

The Comanches were traveling at a very deliberate gait, seeming in no great hurry to arrive anywhere. They camped long enough before night to graze their horses, and to let their hunters bring in plenty of game. The white boys spent the night very much as they had spent previous nights in captivity. Next morning two new horses were led over from the drove for

Oscar awaited the ordeal with fear and dread, and was badly frightened evidently been ridden before, and they did little but canter about before when lifted up and tied on a horse. But both his horse and Zally's had making a dash to their companions of the drove.

and easily kept their horses close together. Both were of the opinion that these would be the very animals to escape on if a suitable opportunity The young riders were delighted. They had no trouble the whole day, should present itself. They rode along together, eagerly discussing every plan of escape they could think of.

About the middle of the forenoon another band of Indians, eleven in number, met the larger band. The new-comers approached from the northeast, the direction the cavalcade was marching; and, from the friendly greeting accorded them, it seemed probable that the two bands belonged to the same village. After meeting, the Indians all traveled together, now toward the north.

much interested in. He was dressed somewhat like an Indian, but wore a as did the other warriors. He, too, had long, black hair, and went bare-headed; and he was almost as dark as an Indian. But he had a short, black beard, and carried a gun instead of the usual bow and arrows. His Among the new arrivals was one that Zally and Oscar vere naturally buckskin hunting shirt instead of having the upper part of his body nude,

eatures were also different; and he was otherwise easily recognizable as belonging to a different race.

"That's just who it is - a white man," pronounced Zally, after they nad been observing the bearded warrior for several minutes.

"Then he must be what they call a renegade," Oscar said. "I've read about 'em. That's the name they give white men that live with Indians and like Indians.",

"Maybe the redskins will treat us a little better, now that he's come,"

remarked Zally, hopefully.

Renegades are usually as bad as the Indians they live with — some of them worse. The renegade I've read about most was named Girty — Simon Girty. He was with the Indians in Ohio, I think it was. He'd stand by and let the Indians burn white captives at the stake - torture them to "Yes, maybe they will. But it's not safe to count on that too much. death, too - and never once open his mouth to stop it."

do that. "Burn people to death, eh? Wonder if the Comanches ever

Hope they won't try any fire on us."

"So do I," agreed Oscar, shuddering.

They saw the white man at a distance only, for he remained back with the Indians, helping to push along the big drove of horses. The boys kept their own horses out in the middle of the drove, and well along toward the forward part. They preferred to be by themselves.

In spite of the evil reputation that Oscar's reading had given renegades in general, the captives could not help hoping that this particular one would prove an exception. But when the noon hour had passed, and they had been left sitting on their horses as usual, they decided that he was probably no better than his kind.

"We'll talk with the chap anyhow, the first chance that happens along," Zally said. "Even if he won't do anything for us, it ain't likely he'll do anything ag'in us."
"'No, I don't s'pose he will, was Oscar's answer. "And t'will be a good

thing for us to have somebody that we can talk to, and that can talk to

At night, after the Comanches had camped, and the two boys had been taken off their horses, Zally and Oscar waited for a chance to speak to the renegade. He was at another camp-fire, and they dared not leave their scar-faced guardian to go over there. But at last the white man came sauntering toward them. He first conversed a few minutes with the Indians, in their tongue, then turned to the captives. the Indians for us and talk to us for them."

"Hello, boys! What you doin here?"

"Mister, we're here because we cain't help our pore selves," answered Zally. "We'd be tickled to death to be some'r's else, if we only could."

"And if you can say anything to persuade these - these red gentlemen Oscar. He hoped that the renegade would not forget to tell the "red spoke up gentlemen" in what respectful terms he had spoken of them.

The white man understood and laughed. "Ain't no such a word to let us go back home, we'll be many times obliged to you,"

The white man understood and laughed. "Ain't no such a word as gentleman in the Comanche dictionary, so fur's I've ever spelt," he

answered. "Where do you two come frum?"

"From Austin's colony, down near the Gulf coast," Oscar replied.

renegade remarked. "I've been hearin' a good deal about the white folks "And so you're from that new settlement down there, eh?" there, but I hain't never strayed down as fur as that yit."

this man. But when they begged him to intercede with the Comanches for them, to the end that they might not be tied at night, and might not have He asked numerous questions concerning the colony, all of which the captives answered as well as they could. They hoped to make a friend of

to ride wild horses, he replied:

"Most of that's because you tried to run away, so the Injuns tells me. If you hadn't been fools enough to do that you'd ha' found yourselves a whole lot better off."

"Of course we tried to run away," Zally answered. "We didn't want to be carried off no tellin' how fur. We're white, not red; and we want to live among our kind. And so would anybody else that I know uv."

"I'm a white man, and I live among the Comanches. And I like it lots

better than among the whites, too."

"But everybody is not like you," argued Oscar.

"And I guess maybe you have your reasons!" put in Zally.

an oath, his unpleasant face distended in a wicked grin. "About the time l left the whites for good the sheriff was lookin' high and low for me to "That I have - mighty good reasons," answered the renegade, with clap in jail."

"Would they ha' kep' you there long?" inquired Zally, partly by way of expressing a polite interest in the subject.

"Not so very long," laughed the renegade. "No longer than they could ha' took me out and -." He ran his finger around his neck, to signify a

'Oh!" exclaimed Oscar, "Was it as bad as that?"

"What did they want to hang you fur?" asked Zally.
"For several things. One of 'em, for tryin' a little experiment, to see if a feller in the settlement would stop a bullet."

He laughed again. Far beyond the reach of pursuit, the man seemed to take a reckless pride in boasting of his crimes.

The boys exchanged glances. Each glance said: "Not much hope for us there." But presently Oscar remarked, by way of being agreeable:

"My name is Oscar Wheeler, and his name is Zally Pegg."

"So I see," answered the white man. "Well, boys, I live in Buffalo Hump's village, and Ishoroyeh lives there too. We're apt to see a right smart of each other hereafter, I'm guessin','

"Who's Buffalo Hump?" Zally wanted to know.

"The head man of the village and of this outfit as well. Yander he stands!" He was pointing toward a warrior whom the captives had already picked out as being the chief of the band.

"And who is Ish - what did you call that other fellow?" inquired

'Ishoroyeh? Why, that's the warrior with the scar on his jaw - right

here. You ought to know him. He claims both of you."

"We do know 'im when we see 'im - know 'im like a brother, answered Zally, without a smile. "But we'd never heared his name before. How did he come by that big scar?"

"He was stoopin' over to skyelp a Pawnee warrior that he thought was dead; and the Pawnee suddenly riz up with a knife and slashed Ishoroyeh across the face. If he'd struck 'im in the neck, it would have finished 'im.

The captives had often wondered about that scar, and they now looked Ishoroyeh has got the Pawnee's skyelp, though."

"What did you say your name was, mister?" ventured Zally. at it with more interest.

somethin' that means Yelpin' Coyote. But the whites where I used to live The renegade laughed. "I didn't say. The Comanches have named me commonly called me 'Calamity Jim.'

"Calamity Jim! What a strange name!" exclaimed Oscar. "How did

they come to give you that?"

"Well, they said it was a calamity to have me around." The renegade laughed as if rather proud of this joke against himself. Whatever his character, he at least had a sense of humor.

"What's your other name?" Zally inquired further.

anything more. "Other name!" he exclaimed, adding an oath. "What other name does a feller need? Ain't two names enough for one man?" he But the renegade was either too cautious or too perverse to tell

"What part of the country are you from?" asked Oscar, politely.

"I'm from everywhere but here; and I expect to be from here before

long." The white man laughed again.

him under very exciting and tragic circumstances. But not another word did they ever learn of his history before turning savage. "Well, Mr. Calamity — I mean Mr. Jim, if you can do something to The boys now understood that the fellow did not propose to give any further information concerning himself. In view of what he had already told them, this was not in the least surprising, and they never questioned him again. They were destined to see more of this man, and the last of

help us get back home, we'll be very thankful to you.",

"Yes, that we will - the thankfulest that ever was," added Zally.

"Oh, you needn't figger on anything like that, boys," laughed the renegade. "The Comanches know I'm white, and they wouldn't stand it a minute for me monkeyin' with their captives. Calamity Jim's altogether too smart to put his own skyelp in danger. These Comanches ain't safe folks to fool with. I see Ishoroveh lookin' a little sour at me out of the corner of his eyes now - for jawin' you boys so long, I guess."

He turned as if to move away, but Oscar inquired:

"Where are we traveling to - all of us?"

but it's moved since this party started out on their big raid ag'in the Mexicans. A lot of us come to meet the war party and guide 'em to the "To Buffalo Hump's village. It's north of here now. It was northeast, village - where the village is now."

"Are we nearly there?" Zally wanted to know.

"No; we'll be two weeks on the march yit," was the reply, as the renegade sauntered off toward another campfire.

ill-appearing white man. "As pap says, it's 'root, pig, or die' with us. It's lean on ourselves or nothin'. We'll keep our eyes open — mighty wide "Little good that chap will do us," muttered Zally, gazing after the

Early the following morning Oscar, who had been dreading his next ride, found an opportunity to speak to Calamity Jim about the matter:

"Couldn't you persuade the Indians not to put me on another wild

horse? I'm not much used to riding, and it's about all I can do to stay on a gentle horse. I'm afraid some of these wild brutes will kill me." 'It wouldn't do the least bit of good for me to go to stickin' my nose

learn how. And you'll have to learn, now that you're going to live with the Comanches. Ain't no two ways about that. Fact is, they'll either learn into that business. The Comanches have a mighty sorry opinion of anybody that can't ride. You'll have to hang on the best you can till you you or kill you, and they don't keer much which."

every time he awoke, he had been shivering and suddering at the thought Oscar's lips quivered as he turned away. All night long, or of the next day's start.

purpose, they're not apt to fetch two bad ones at onct. If the first horse hey lead up looks like he's been under the saddle, I'll give you the sign, and you walk right out, bold as you ever please, and offer to ride 'im. But if he looks mean, I'll step out and let 'em know I'm the boy that can encouragingly. "Unless the redskins pick out the very wildest nag a "Never mind, you'll make it all right, I reckon," said Zally, stick to 'im."

Even with this arrangement in view, Oscar trembled with dread till the two horses were brought up. Zally eyed the animals critically.

"Ain't no great sight of difference in 'em as fur as I can see," he informed his fellow-captive. "Guess you might as well ride whichever they put you onto."

One of the horses was promptly brought forward, and Oscar lifted to his back and tied there. The animal had a rather mild appearance; but as often happens, his looks proved deceptive. The moment the ropes were taken off, he began to buck furiously. The scared young rider flopped

"Stick to 'im, Oscar! Hang on like a turkle! It's your only chance!" yelled Zally in his excitement. about in a helpless way.

The red men were too much amused at the boy on the horse to pay much attention to the boy on the ground. The renegade was standing by, laughing as loudly as any of them.

himself. How he managed to stay on was more than he ever knew; for the jumping and jerking under him were frightful. But stay on he did. The fact that his feet were securely tied helped him greatly. And the horse had a heavy mane, in which the young rider locked his hands with a desperate Zally's cry of encouragement aroused the half-despairing rider to exert

When it was over, however, and the brute was galloping back toward the drove, The bucking was not only hard, but it lasted several minutes. Oscar was still sitting erect on his back.

Zally passed through a similar experience, as bad, if not worse, and then his horse, too, dashed away toward the drove and plunged into it.

Zally remarked later, while the two were moving along in the midst of the "I tell you, Oscar, that was mighty fine ridin' you done this mornin!" marshing drove, their horses not far apart. "I couldn't ha' stuck to that colts and horses ever since I was big enough to climb onto 'em. You'll nag much better'n you did; and I've been ridin' calves and yearlin's and soon beat me if you keep on learnin' as fast as that."

went to running. But I dread tomorrow morning, and every other morning. I couldn't stay on a horse like that one you rode yesterday, no matter how hard I tried. I'll be glad when we get to Buffalo Hump's village, that that fellow Calamity Jim told us about." Oscar was much pleased. "I don't know how I did it, Zally. If you hadn't yelled at me, I doubt if I'd have tried much. I kept bobbing up and down so fast, and everything seemed to be flying about. I couldn't tell for certain whether I was on or off, till the horse quit pitching and

hadn't counted on travelin' with these red boogers as long as that. And then we might not have as good chances to slip off up there, where the's so many Injuns. I'd like for us to git started back t'wards home as soon "Don't know as I'll be awful glad," remarked Zally, thoughtfully, We'll be fu'ther from home than we air now-a long ways fu'ther. as ever we can.",

"So would I, Zally. And the sooner the better. Every day takes us good many miles farther."

That night, while the captives were eating their supper among the Indians, Calamity Jim strolled over to their campfire with some broiled buffalo ribs in his hands. While there, he said to Oscar:

"You jumped up in everybody's opinion this mornin'. When I first

come, the Comanches thought mighty well of this other boy, but they reckoned you wouldn't never amount to nothin', and wasn't hardly worth killin.' But you made 'em all change their minds. They think now you'll both make purty good Injuns by and by, if you keep on learnin'.''

"I ain't a-pinin' to be no good Injun myself. I've been a half-Mexican He turned to say something to Ishoroyeh, and Zally muttered to Oscar:

all my life, and the other half no 'count American. That's as much as I can stand."

After conversing a few minutes with their scar-faced keeper, the renegade turned to the captives again.

"Guess you're goin' to be treated a right smart better from now on, both of you. That's what Ishoroyeh says. That is, you will be if you ain't big enough fools to try to run away ag'in. If you do that, he says tell you they're goin' to make short work of you, in a way that would put your hair on end to think about."

"They didn't turn our horses loose tonight when they took us off. Do you s'pose they're going to let us ride the same horses tomorrow?" asked Oscar, eagerly. "Ruther guess they will. He didn't say about that. You'll find out when the time comes," answered the renegade as he sauntered away.

The renegade's prediction of better treatment for the captives proved rue. They were not tied down tonight, nor on several following nights. But they had to sleep by their owner, Ishoroyeh, in the midst of nearly a Iwo buffalo robes were given them, one to sleep on and to cover with. hundred Comanches. Escape from there would be out of the question.

neither had any trouble to speak of. For three days more they rode the same horses, which were kept at the ends of lariate every night. But as they were congratulating each other that they would not have to be horse-breakers for the Comanches any more, two unusually vicious brutes But the greatest improvement was in their riding. When morning came, they were fastened on the horses they had riden the day before; and were led up to the camp for them to ride.

# CHAPTER 6

They did it, both of them, Zally angrily, defiantly. Oscar in terror for his life. In a hard school though it was, Oscar was learning to ride. But when it was all over, and they were out in the marching drove again, both were sore from their frightful experiences, and Oscar was shaking

boys back at Goliad, and you couldn't make one of 'em cry, not even the "Whatever you do, don't let the redskins see you cry," cautioned Zally. "Injun men never shed a tear, I guess. I used to know some Tonk littlest shaver, no matter what you don to 'im. They called Mexican boys, girls when they cried."

Oscar had broken down only after getting out into the drove. He soon controlled himself, and said:

well be put to death by the Comanches as to have the life jerked out of us much more riding. I'm ready to go whenever you say the word, no matter what comes of it." "Zally, let's run away the very first chance that comes. We might as by wild horses. And that's just what will happen to me if I have to do

ret comes of it. "Though, uv course, we reThat's the way to talk," answered Zally. "Though, uv course, we don't want to do anything reckless. We've got to look before we leap. we don't we may jump out of the skillet into the fire, as pap says. we'll either find a good chance purty soon or make one."

The chance they were waiting for was nearer than either of them suspected.

They spent the whole day planning, or trying to plan. With their present sleeping arrangement it would be impossible for them to escape at what would otherwise have been the best time-the dead of night. But two opportunities could they think of: They might steal away when the red men were at supper; or perhaps they could dodge out while the drove was

preferable, because they would be on their horses. passing through thick woods somewhere. The latter they considered

into moonlight, and still the cavalcade was in motion. The horses were march led across a high, dry prairie, many miles in width. Daylight faded The several-days-old moon finally lost itself behind the western hills, but thirsty, and there could be no camping or resting till water was found. The noonday halt was made near a timbered stream; but the afternoon

of opportunities to slip off in the darkness. at their ankles, were down under their horses and out of reach. Then together long enough. Once loose, the captives might have found plenty Zally had tried to untie Oscar, but their wild steeds could not be kept had tried to untie themselves, only to find that the knots, instead of being were watching eagerly, anxiously, for some opportunity to slip out. Both still the big drove was marching on at a brisk gait. Oscar and Zally were very thirsty, but they cared little for that. They

"If we jist had the same nags we rode yisterday!" exclaimed Zally,

impatiently.

gentle - for fear we'd run away on 'em,'' Oscar said. "That may have been why they were taken from us when we got em

a hundred sharp-eyed savages surrounding the drove, riding out of it in Wild as their present horses were, the boys could guide them in a way. Any horse will turn if slapped repeatedly on the side of the head. But with

open country would be well-nigh impossible.

"Jist wait till we strike some timber or bresh; then we'll see what," said

Zally, with suppressed eagerness.

yander. This may be our chance, who knows?", "We're comin' to some stream. Believe I can make out timber down water," was Zally; conjecture, as he peered into the darkness ahead. At length the whole drove broke into a trot. "Guess they must smell

panther, doubtless - spring out and try to escape through the drove. thicket, wishing they could hide in it, saw some large animal nearby woods. Zally and Oscar, both of whom had their eyes on the dense thicket, probably of live-oak bushes, an outstanding sentinel of He was right. The drove was soon passing on both sides of a small but

the panic spread till the whole drove were scouring away at the top of Instantly the nearest horses began to run. Then, like a powder-flash,

their speed, the captives' horses among them!

captives had not separated. when the bunch of horses finally dropped from a run to a walk, not a Comanche could be seen or heard. Fortunately the two horses bearing the would fail to see and follow them. In this they had been successful. For themselves flat on their horses, hoping that in the dim light the Indians moment the stampede began Zally and Oscar had instinctively thrown captives along - about thirty horses - kept running for miles. The pieces fling off in every direction. The little fragment carrying the With a roar of thunder the great drove burst apart - exploded, the

graze, but kept walking, in quest of water, till they came to a creek The animals were now in the edge of some woods. They did not stop to

> riders did the same. While they were quenching their thirst, in water up to their knees, the

"This is the very chance we've been lookin' fur," declared Zally, elated. "It couldn't ha' happened better if we'd started the stampede

"What shall we do now?" Oscar inquired, with much eagerness

ropes from our feet and put 'em on these nags' under jaws if we can. "Travel from here as fast as possible. But first we want to untie the

tried in vain. At length Zally said: the two boys tried every way they could think of to free themselves, but grazing in the scattering woods. For the next fifteen or twenty minutes Their horses had climbed back up the creek bank, and were now

some of 'em. We'd better hustle from here while we can. We've got to cross that big prairie before daylight, and find a good hidin' place some'r's along that other creek, while we stopped at noon." "This won't do. The redskins may happen along here any minute,

"But we'd better -"

"Travel first, and find a way to git loose after'ds."
"But what if we can't get loose?"

"Oh, we can — don't you fret — if we can onct git away. That's the main thing now. I'm not skeered about the rest."

same. Now they were ready to start. Urging his horse under a tree, Zally broke off a limb. Oscar did the

companions, and kept nickering to them. Nor were they easy to guide. promptly began. Their two horses were hungry and tired, and would But by a liberal use of those limbs, sometimes against the horses flanks rather graze than travel. They were also very reluctant to leave their And now, as they moved out upon the great prairie, their troubles

escaping captives finally got under way. them go, and sometimes against the sides of their heads to turn them, the

and hips - which caused much kicking and jumping at first - to make

any progress at all. was only by a constant application of those limbs that the fugitives made and utterly unused to being controlled, and the same causes that had made them hard to start also made them hard to keep going. In fact, it They rode rather slowly, from necessity. The horses were both half-wild

"It's worse than paddlin' up a swift current," declared Zally, resentfully. "Feller's got to work every inch of the way. Wisht I had a

good club; I'd show this stubborn brute what's what."

move in a circle. Oscar's horse invariably following him.

But at last, by using their switches vigorously, Zally and Oscar got the turn round and round, almost in the same spot. And sometimes he would more obstinate he became. Often in trying to have his own way, he would turning back. And the farther they moved out upon the great prairie the Zally's horse, being in the lead, was the more troublesome about

animals traveling at a good speed in the right direction, and kept them going for hours. Zally was careful to have the north star always at his

at first, had broken off and worn off till only short stubs remained. several miles of almost constant lashing, those green branches, not large harder the boys found it to keep them from stopping to graze. After But the farther the horses traveled the hungrier they became, and the

Zally and Oscar had nothing but their bare hands. longer strike with their switches, they used the stubs to punch with. In Now, more and more, the hungry, self-willed brutes took advantage of the situation to stuff themselves with grass. When the riders could no Now, their feet being tied too close for them to use their heels much this way they kept going for a short time. But the stubs soon broke up

"Well, if this don't beat the Dutch!" exclaimed Zally, in exasperation

as he sat helpless on his grazing horse. "It's like paddlin' upstream without a paddle. If I jist had — But what's the use of talkin' about that? We hain't got a thing, and cain't git nothin' out here."

"And it's miles to that creek yet," lamented Oscar. "Plent of switches

there, if we only had some."

apiece. But we've jist got to keep goin' somehow." "Little good they do us here. We ought to have started with a armfu

onto us at any minute." "That's right, Zally. If we stop here the Comanches are likely to

determined to satisfy their hunger before moving much farther. But little cared those tired, hungry horses how many Comanches overtook them. Fully aware of their riders' helplessness now, they were

they'll be ready to go. I hate to lose so much good time, but the's no "Oscar, we'll jist have to let the brutes graze a while. After that maybe

proposed Oscar. "And while they're grazing, let's be trying to untie ourselves

"That we will-of course we will."

it was out of the question. Oscar could not even touch the knot in his vain. The Comanches who tied them knew how to tie, and had done their rope. Then they tried to slip the rawhide ropes over their feet, but tried in side Zally could hardly reach the knot with the tips of his fingers. Untying work well. And they were both soon at work. By leaning far down on his horse's

After an hour of constant, almost frantic effort, the boys both gave up

the task as impossible.

"Zally, I don't believe we ever can get loose!" wailed Oscar, half in despair. "Won't it be awful if we have to sit on these horses till we starve to-death?"

country, wherever they go. And when the wind blows we'll rattle." then we'll keep on ridin' these horses round and round and all over the tones. Soon he added: "And after we die, we'll jist dry up in the sun, and "I hadn't thought of that," answered the little half-Mexican, in startled

sorry we ran away from the Indians. Who knows? We may have done just shivered Oscar. "If it hadn't been for riding so many wild horses, I'd be "Ugh, Zally! For mercy's sake hush!You make my flesh creep!"

what you said we might; we may have jumped out of the skillet into the

"Well, anyhow, looks like we've jumped out of one skillet into a hotter

would be to free ourselves now!"? "If the Comanches only hadn't robbed us of our knives. How easy it

"The's things easier to find than knives that we could use, if we had

long to saw this rawhide in two." That's so. But even if we found some stones, after daylight comes, we "Why, jist give me a piece of sharp-edged rock, and it won't take me

couldn't pick 'em up, could we?"

Zally leaned over and reached down, not once, but again and again. He

could touch the grass, but not the ground

bank, Then, next thing anybody knows. we'll be foot-loose!" that creek, we'll find a sharp rock layin' on a bank, or stickin' out of a If I had it—oh, I know what! We'll make it all right yit! When we come to "No, I couldn't. This horse stands too high. On level ground, I mean.

"That's right-that's the way to do it!" exclaimed Oscar, enthusiastic

ally. Buth had leaped suddenly from despair to hope.

"And here goes for the creek!" the half-breed cried.

few yards. But it was hard work, and very slow. By punching, pinching and scratching their horses, they moved them

What can we do?" will take us two weeks at this rate, and we shall starve before that time. "Zally, we never can get there!" declared Oscar, in despair again. "It

Zally scratched his head. "If I jist had a pin, I'd make this bull-headed old rascal pitch or travel or sumpn."

But not even a pin did they have. Their only hope lay in reaching the creek to the south; but until the horses were ready to go, that would be well-nigh impossible. However, the boys kept trying.

They were still working their way along, a few yards at a time, when daylight came upon them. Now both were frightened. Gladly would they have dismounted, if they could, and abandoned their troublesome horses. Again and again they looked back, half expecting every time to see some

of the red men coming.

and tried to kick. But all of it did little good. Not only did the boys find it difficult to make the horses move, but they had trouble in guiding stuffing themselves. Oscar was in despair, and Zally fretted and scolded stubborn brutes when they did move. horses, realizing now that they were masters of the situation, went on The sun rose, and climbed higher and higher; but still those hungry

pursuing savages haunted them enough or fast enough to get anywhere. And every moment the dread of prairie. They kept the animals moving from time to time, but not often would-be escaping captives-sat helpless on their horses, out on the wide Hour after hour dragged by, and still the escaping captives-the

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In the beginning she really felt refreshed and strong; she sang, and she repeated the instructions the young shepherd had given her. It seemed to her, as if she would be out of danger now to get lost and said to Lampo, "Courage, Courage, soon we will be there."

But when she was back in the woods again, and hardly could hear the bawling of the cows anymore, which she just had seen grazing in the meadow, the song died on her lips and the happiness left her.

She must have walked at least three quarters of an hour and she must be nearing the brook, when she felt a raindrop on her forehead. Maybe it was a dewdrop the sun had missed; but this drop was followed by a second and a third, and at the same time there was a deep and continous roaring, and the forth and back waving of the foliage and twigs and branches grew stronger and stronger. Carmela searched through the treetops for a spot from where she could see the sky and when she did, she saw stacks and stacks of ugly dark clouds, one over the other and it started to rain very heavy.

This time little Carmela really felt all strength had left her, she yearned for the sun, she wanted to hear the mooing of the cows, she missed the young boy, who had been so friendly to her, and involuntarily she called out: "Vittorio, Vittorio!"

But her voice was lost in the splashing of the rain, and in the howling of the wind and the pitiable sounds of the forest.

Carmela covered her eyes with both her hands, leaned back against a treetrunk and cried bitterly. But, she was not alone. Lampo was with her; her loyal and faithful companion, who was crouching at her feet and who would stand on his hindlegs sometimes stretching his head so he could see her better, and who whimpered sometimes in order to get her attention.

The rain got worse. The water was cascading down the treetrunk on which she leaned and totally drenched her clothing. With every gust of wind that shook the leaves, big drops came down and formed big puddles around her feet.

Lampo, who grew more restless, left every few moments trying to find a better shelter; he ran here, he ran there, but always came back quickliy; he didn't want to go too far away from his little master, so again he crouched down beside her.

At last the great darkness disappeared somewhat and the rain didn't hit the leaves and the branches so hard anymore. The raindrops became smaller and fewer, the water which ran down the treetrunk seemed to stop -and the sunshine stole through a hole in the treetop.

The birds started to sing again and a clean fresh smell came from the flowers and the green grass.

There was no difficulty in venturing forth again. But Carmela had lost all courage! She hardly had any strength left to crawl out of the underbrush, climb a small hill, where the sun was to follow. But she had no desire to go down to the bank. The plan, to take Lampo to her aunt, had seemed so easy yesterdey; now it seemed impossible to carry it out; and with that exhaustion which often follows childrens extraordinary daring she couldn't fight her tears back anymore; with a loud voice she called for her Grandmother, her Father and her little sister, but it was in vain. For miles around was no living soul who could have heard her or the howling of Lampo, who with all the force of his lungs chimed in the crying of his little master.

With regards to Lampo, he already had a plan, and if Carmela would have payed attention to him, she wouldn't stand alone now at the bank of the brook, crying. But up to now, she had listened only to her own ideas and now it was impossible to budge her from this spot, no matter how her loyal companion begged her with his big brown eyes to follow him.

Carmela had lost all track of time. She only knew many hours had passed since she had left her house; she saw the sun quickly disappear behind the mountain and with horror she thought of the possibility to be spending the night in this great loneliness.

A noise came from the bushes nearby and made her jump up; she looked in that direction and saw something black, shiny and slimy come out of the branches; it probably was a harmless snake, not unlike the ones she saw at home in her garden, but in this moment and in the mood she was in, she became so afraid and with a loud cry she ran, not knowing nor caring where she was running to.

Lampo who up to now had been her obedient follower, became now her leader. Barking, he ran ahead and she followed him without noticing that he didn't lead her accidental, but that he was hurrying her to a definte goal. For a little while he ran along the bank of the brook; then, when he saw some stones protruding out of the water, he ran to the other side. Once there, he sat down to wait for his master Carmela. She followed him fast, because she still was afraid the snake would be following her.

Now they had to climb a hill again, but the path was less difficult to walk on, much easier than the first one, and Lampo seemed to get more surer and confident and really seemed to know where he was going. He looked up at Carmela and it looked as if he wanted to say; "See I know the way much better than you do."

Carmela was so exhausted so she stopped from time to time, and too, because she was afraid to get lost again.

But Lampo took the hem of her dress between his teeth, looked at her with steady eyes, so that little by little she was assured that Lampo would lead her to a place or a cottage where she could dry her wet clothing, and where she could find a guide who could show herthe rest of the way.

Pretty soon they came out of the woods and arrived at the summit of a mountain, and Carmela wasn't sure if it was the same one she had climbed before. Now, to the right she recognized the sharp dark points of Black Rock who now were clearer and nearer than when she saw them from Isoletta.

The sun, which slowly sank on the horizon sent some strong golden rays over the mountain chain, and Carmela had to cover her eyes.

It was a sad thought, that daylight would now disappear and twilight would set in and would light up her way, and the success of her mission depended on the cleverness of her dog, who came through this area only once, many years ago.

Suddenly Lampo ran to the right and on a certain spot jumped down a steep ravine, who at one time must have been the waterway for the water coming down the side of the mountain from the rocks. Carmela hesitated for a minute, but encouraged by the barking of the dog she dared to climb down the ravine holding on to the bushes and thicket with both hands and soon found herself on a flat grass area, a plateau which led down to another valley, but yet was not able to overlook.

Lampo ran ahead, jumped up on a sand hill, and from there looking towards the valley, looking back at Carmela, showed all kinds of signs of sheer happiness.

The girl had hardly reached Lampo, when she realized why the dog was so happy. The valley, which one could overlook from this area, and which was all lit up by the sun right now, was her valley and harboured her Father-house! It was Isolettavalley! There stood the church with its steeple, there were the houses who nestled so close to the steeple like soldiers around the flag; and Carmela recognized the bridge, the pride of the community, which spanned the little river and looked from up here like a silverband wrapped around a straw!

Mixing in with the rustling of the pines Carmela could hear the sound of the Ave Maria Bells. Oh, if she only could be with her Grandmother like on other nights when she could wonder at the custodian Giacomo when he lit the candles; if she could only fly from here where she was down into the midst of her loved ones so she could make those sad faces happy again!

This longing, this desire to be back in the home of her father, to see her Grandmother, and her little sister, who woke up every morning earlier and earlier, made her forget the reason for fleeing the night before. She wanted to save Lampo from those who meant him harm- and now he had saved her! She wanted to bring him to a safe place- and he hindered her from dying in the woods from hunger- and he led her back to the home town where death waited for him.

Forward, Forward! With barking and howling Lampo led the girl down the path and he couldn't understand the strain it cost the girl to follow him and looked at her with sad reproachful eyes. Twice the churchsteeple and the houses from Isoletta disappear-

ed from their sight behind the pinetrees and the hills-Carmela could feel the strength leaving her and she came close to giving up, but then the familiar scenes reappeared and with new courage she struggled on again.

Forward, Forward! The mountains echoed the barking of the dog and was carried along and was

already heard by someone in the village.

Suddenly they heard a long loud whistle; Lampo stood still a second only-pointed ears, hair standing up, he trembled all over his body then like an arrow, he shot down the steep incline, over the green meadow, through the brown treetrunks, over hedges, ditches and brooks. So in a few seconds, torn by thorns he had run at least a hundred steps, and out of breath, panting, perspiration running down his fur, foam coming out of his mouth he laid down at the feet of his master, who with other villagers had searched the mountains for his lost child.

With almost crazy eyes, unkempt hair and very pale and tired face, her father stood there, and seeing Lampo like this, not knowing if he should take hope again, or should he ready himself for the worst blow a father can receive?

"Carmela, Carmela" he called. The loyal companion, sad that he couldn't express himself and already sorry that he had left the little girl behind returned to the path through which he just had "flown" and whimpered. But the others, unlike him didn't have wings on their feet, and climbing up was harder than coming down. The mountains again echoed the barking of Lampo and the calling of Carmela.

Fianally from far came a little voice: "Father,

Father, here I am!"

A last effort and a few minutes later Ambrogio was standing next to his daughter! Carmela, whose feet couldn't carry her anymore sat there, arms crossed over her knees head down on her chest, like a flower on a stem. She hardly could keep her eyes open and in front of her everything swam together. When she saw her father and Lampo, she wanted to get up, but it was impossible and she fell into a deep faint.

Senior Ambrogio called for his neighbours who had stayed behind a little. He lifted his daughter up in his arms, without her coming to, but her heart was still beating and her body was still warm. The fainting

spell had not turned out the flame of Life.

While the Father, Lega; Trustee of the county of Isoletta carried his daughter home, Lampo walked beside him looking up to see if the quiet head of his little master would move again, or the silent lips would call his name again softly.

"Poor animal," said Senior Ambrogio, watching the

dog with sympathy.

When they put Carmela down on her little bed her eyes opened for a second, but quickly closed again.

The Doctor who checked her pulse smiled and said: "She is not in a faint anymore, she is sound asleep! Adieu, till to-morrow."

Doctor Baldassari, a learned and corpulent Gentleman, who liked good food and wines, was respected in Isoletta, and his words were like a miracle to the anxious hearts of Carmelas Father and Grandmother.

Lampo, who stood at the foot of Carmelas bed, jumped up in one leap to lay on the spread next to her. A cloud came over the forehead of Senior Ambrogio, when he chased the loyal animal of the bed. "Is there no remedy" he asked the Doctor. "Oh if one only could let him live" said Grandmother. "I am sorry to say there is no remedy" answered the Doctor. "Lampo was bitten by a dog who had the rabies, and it would be better for him that he was dead before he gets the rabies." "And before Carmela wakes up" added Senior Ambrogio sadly. "That would be the Best yet."

Without saying a word Senior Ambrogio walked in to the next room, took the hunting rifle off the wall and in a commanding voice he called; "Lampo" "Where are you going" asked his mother. "Quiet, stay with Carmela- Lampo'' Unwillingly the bed and neared his master. Senior Ambrogio made a sign to follow him and he tried very hard not to look at the dog. They walked out into the garden; it was already late in the evening. The moonlight played over the shiny hunting rifle, which was hanging over Senior Ambrogios shoulder.

Lampo was surprised and restless; why would they go hunting at this time of night? And would he have to walk that same long way again? And he was so tired and so hungry!

His master picked up a green apple and threw it; Lampo, true to his habits, ran to fetch the apple. Quick as lightning, Senior Ambrogio took the rifle, aimed and pulled the trigger. The dog groaned, turned twice around himself and fell dead.

Two big tears ran down the hunters cheeks after he entered his house, stood the rifle in a corner and neared the bed of his sleeping child. "What will Carmela say to-morrow?"

During the night in her sleep, Carmela stammered: "Aunt Norina, keep Lampo here, they want to kill him. No, no, it should never happen, never!.....

Lampo was already dead and lay stiff behind the garden fence. Carmelas LOVES LABOUR was really Lost.

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**Migrations** 

Milo Yoders moved from Marshfield, Missouri to Dixon, Missouri.

Freeman Detweilers moved from Marshfield, Missouri to

Felty J. Yoders moved from Hazelton, Iowa to Pawnee City, Nebraska, 68420.

Eli P. Gingerichs moved from Clark, Missouri to LaPlata,

Missouri in March. Elmer Yoders moved from Clark, Missouri to Fredericktown,

Ohio in March. David U. Gingerichs and daughter Clara (Mrs. Levi J.

Petersheim) and 7 children moved from Clark, Missouri to Fredericktown, Ohio in April.

Menno A. Millers moved from Clark, Missouri to Utica, Minnesota in April.

William J. Masts moved from Clark, Missouri to Utica,

Minnesota in April.

Lavern Waglers moved from Clark, Missouri to Boonville (Prairie Home) area in May.

Reuben C. Yoders moved from Clark, Missouri to Riceville, Iowa October 6.

### **OBITUARIES**

Beechy, William A. 77, Box 175, #2 Topeka, Indiana

died unexpectedly at his home.

Born April 10, 1903 in LaGrange County, Indiana, he was married the first time to Amanda Schrock. She died February 15, 1929. He was a retired farmer.

Surviving are his wife, the former Nora Bontrager to whom he was married March 6, 1930; 5 daughters, Mrs. John (Mary) Miller, Sturgis, Mich.; Mrs. Amzie (Anna) Miller; Mrs. Ora (Katherine) Weinich, both of Goshen, Mrs. Menno (Alice) Yoder, Shipshewana and Mrs. Irvin (Amanda) Miller, Chouteau, Okla. 4 sons, Ammon, Shipshewana; Elva, Millersburg; Raymond, Reading, Mich; and William Jr., Oak Forest, Ill. 57 grandchildren; 97 great grandchildren and a brother, John, Topeka.

Funeral services were held at 1 p.m. Saturday in the Mahlon Cross Jr. residence north of Topeka with Bishop Calvin T. Lambright and Bishop David Nissly officiating. Pallbearers for burial in Haw Patch Cemetery will be Andy Bontrager, Felty Yoder, Alvin Lambright and Junior Cross.

Byler, Christ E., 70, Middlefield, Ohio died October 17 of a heart attack.

He was born December 3, 1910 and was married to Savilla

Hostetler, December 19,1940

Surviving besides his wife are 10 daughters and 5 sons. Martha, Ella, Alta, Saloma, Barbara, Ada, Sarah, Ida, Orpha, Sylvia Marie, Mahlon, Henry, Christ, Andy, David. 61 grandchildren, 8 great grandchildren. Preceding him in death are his first wife, Sarah B. Schrock, 1 son, 1 daughter and 1 grandchild.

Funeral services were held October 2 at his son Christs in the basement by David D. Miller Jr. and Mose J. Miller, in upstairs by Eli Wengard and Dan E. Miller. Burial in Hayes Corner Cemetery.

Eash, Marlin Dean, 4 month old child, #1 Topeka, Ind.

died on Saturday at Riley Children's Hospital, Indianapolis.

He was born June 20 and was the son of Daniel and Esther (Schmucker) Eash who survives and a sister, Amanda at home; grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. David Schmucker and Mr. and Mrs. Eli Eash, LaGrange; great grandmother; Mrs. Noah B. Bontrager and great-grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. William Schmucker and Mr. and Mrs. Nathaniel Miller all of Topeka.

Funeral services were held at Levi D. Bontragers with Bishop Jacob Petersheim officiating. Burial will be in Townline Cemetery. Miller Funeral Home, Middlebury was in charge of arrangements.

Esh, Mrs. Annie, 70, Stumptown Rd, Ronks #1

died October 16 at Lancaster General Hospital where she was a patient for one week.

Born in Upper Leacock Township, Pa. she was married to the late Benjamin Esh who died in October 1976. She was the daughter of the late John D. and Susie (Weinhold) Petersheim

and was a member of the O.O.Amish. Surviving are the following step children: Sarah King, Gordonville; John P. Esh, Lizzie, wife of Ben Kauffman of Bird-in-Hand; Henry P. Esh, Ronks; Ben Esh, Bird-in-Hand; Eli Esh, Christiana; Malinda, wife of Elam King, Leola. Also surviving are the following brothers and sisters: Mary, Sarah and Emma Petersheim all of Leola; Rachel, wife of John Glick, Lancaster; Fannie, wife of John Esh, Ronks; Benjamin Petersheim, Lancaster; Susie, wife of Joel King, New Holland; step-brothers and sisters: Amos Lapp, Gordonville; Aaron Lapp, Christiana; Mary, wife of Isaac L. King, Rebecca, wife of Phares Fisher and John Lapp, Lebanon. Additional survivors are 70 step-grandchildren; 258 step-great-grandchildren and one step great-great-grandchild.

Funeral services were held at the Henry P. Esh residence Stumptown Rd. Ronks on Oct. 20 at 9:00. Burial in the Myers

Hostetler, Lovina, 42, Ethridge, Tennessee

died October 29, 16 days after the birth of a still born son, (see community notes). Born January 3, 1938 she was married to Sammie J. Hostetler.

Funeral services were held November 1.

Kauffman, David J., 92, C.R. 32 Goshen, Indiana

died in the home of his son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Amos (Gertie) Schwartz.

He was born July 14, 1888 and was married to Mary Ann Weirick, Dec. 29, 1910 who died Jan. 30, 1972. He was a retired

Surviving are 2 daughters, Mrs. John (Sovilla) Helmuth. Wolcottville and Mrs. Schwartz; 3 sons, Joseph D., Kalamazoo, Mich.; Daniel, Bullhead City, Ariz. and Eli D., Angola; 13 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren. 2 daughters and a son preceded him in death.

Funeral services were held at 9:30 a.m. Friday at the Perry Whetstone residence west of Shipshewana with Bishop Perry Bontrager, the Rev. Levi Schrock and the Rev. Orvin Hooley

officiating. Burial in Naylor Cemetery.

King, Daniel Ray, infant son, Narvon #1

was stillborn October 8, at home. His parents are Melvin and

Mamie (Stoltzfus) King.

Surviving in adition to his parents are: maternal grandparents: Mr. and Mrs. Gideon Stoltzfus, Gordonville; paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Benuel S. King, Narvon #1; and paternal great-grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob C. King, Narvon #1 and Mr. and Mrs. Aaron D. Riehl, Leola.

Lee, John N., 76, Newburg #1, Penna.

died of heart failure. He was found in bed and life was gone. Surviving is one son, Stephen Lee of Newburg #1, 7 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held by Willie Lee and Simon Swartzentruber. Lied by Eli King. Burial at Mountain View Amish Cemetery.

Mast, Eli A., 78, #4 Nappanee died following an extended illness.

Mast, Lydia, 85, Bowling Green, Missouri

Died at the home of her son Alvin, Monday A.M. October 20. She suffered a stroke in April of 1977 which left her left side paralyzed. Born Dec 3, 1894 in Nappanee, Indiana she was the daughter of Adam and Anna (Yoder) Borkholder and was

married to Jacob D. Mast who died June 11, 1961.

Surviving are 8 sons and 6 daughters: Alvin, where she had her home since April 1966, Anna (Mrs Daniel J. Miller), Apple Creek, Ohio. Felty, Curryville, Mo., Menno, Pulaski, Ia., Ada, (Mrs. Levi N. Hershberger), Apple Creek, Ohio, Ameli, Mrs. Gideon A. Yoder, Ethridge, Tenn., Roman, Apple Creek, Ohio Lydia Ann, Mrs. Levi A. Hershberger, Ingersoll, Ont., Can. Tobe at home with Alvins, Enos, Ethridge, Tenn., Ezra. Desboro, Ont., Can., Dave, Preston, Minn., Sarah, Mrs. Andy S. Yoder, Ethridge, Tenn., 141 grandchildren, 104 greatgrandchildren.

Funeral services were held on Wednesday afternoon at the Jacob A. Mast home in the shed by Bishop Chris M. Borntreger, Wilton, Wis. and Bishop Jacob J. Miller. Pallbearers were Raymond Wagler, Eli R. Yoder, Benny P. Girod and Harry

Glick.

Mast, Mrs. Lydia Ann Mast, 78, #4 Nappanee died in her home following an extended illness.

She was born July 23, 1902 in Nappanee, where she was married Jan. 3, 1924, to Eli A. Mast. Mrs. Mast was a member

of the Old Order Amish Church.

Surviving are her husband; 5 daughters, Mrs. Marvin (Frieda) Miller, Mrs. Perry (Anna Mae) Yoder and Mrs. Delbert (Barbara) Miller all of Nappanee, Mrs. Jay (Mary Ann) Jillespie, Silver Lake and Mrs. Larry (Lydia Ann) McDonald, Warsaw, a son, Earl, Dowagiac, Mich.; 15 grandchildren; 2 great-grandchildren; 2 sisters, Mrs. Monroe (Tille) Stutzman, Nappanee, Mrs. Sol (Mary Ann) Beachy, Arthur, Ill. and 4 brothers, Harvey, Eli and Joe Stutzman all of Nappanee and William of San Fransico. A sister, 2 brothers and a great grand son proceded her in death.

Funeral services were held at Marvin Millers C.R. # Nappanee. Bishop Levi Plank, Nappanee and Eli Stutzman, Arthur will officiate the services Tuesday at the Miller residence. Burial in Weldy Cemetery. Wright-Yoder Funeral

Home is in charge of arrangements. Miller, Abe, #3 Millersburg

died 9 hours after he was born. Graveside services were held

October 15.

Miller, David M., 40, McRae, Arkansas

was killed in a logging accident, (see community notes). He leaves behind his wife, Elizabeth (Yutzy) and 8 children

from 2 to 17 years of age. His father, Mose Miller of Canada is

staying with the family at present.

Funeral services were held Saturday, October 11, at the shed on the home place. Bishop Eli Borntreger of Hazelton, Iowa and Bishop Ura Yoder of Bowling Green, Missouri- conducted the funeral. Burial was in the Cheek Lake Cemetery, which is about 1 mile from the home. (Look for more information next month).

Schwartz, Mary Ann K. 36, #6 Decatur, Indiana

died Tuesday eve. October 7 at the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. Dan M. Schwartz #1 Monroe. She had been ill with cancer 11/2 years and has been in a very serious condition the last 3 months.

She was born in Adams County, March 13, 1944 to Dan M. and Catherine (R. Schwartz) Schwartz and was married May 30,

1963 to Joe V. Schwartz who survives.

Besides her parents and husband she is survived by 2 daughters; Edith J. 16 and Catherine J. 14, both at home. 2 sisters, Mrs. Sylvan V. (Rosa) Schwartz and Mrs. David L. (Barbara) Wickey both of #1 Monroe. 5 brothers, David K., John K., Levi K., Noah K. and Daniel K. Schwartz all of #1 Monroe.

Funeral services were held October 10 at the Dan M. Schwartz home by Homer Schwartz, Walter Schwartz and Dan Beachy all of Nappanee. Burial in the Schwartz Cemetery.

Slabaugh, Bishop Jerry J., 75, of #2 Milford,

died at his home at 10:05 a.m. Monday, October 6, 1980. He had been ill several years with Parkinson's and heart disease.

On October. 11, 1904 he was born in Milo, N.D., the son of John J. and Rhoda (Yoder) Slabaugh. His marriage to Iva Schmucker occurred on November 12, 1927 and she survives.

A member of the Old Order Amish Church, he was a Bishop

and a retired farmer.

Other survivors in addition to his widow. Iva. include 4 sons. Robert Slabaugh, Kenton, Ohio, Edward Slabaugh, Salem, Ind., Melvin Slabaugh, Sanford, Fla., Glen Slabaugh, Etna Green; 6 daughters, Mrs. Monroe (Betty) Miller, Mrs. Leonard (Ruby) Miller, both of Shipshewana, Mrs. Monroe (Mary) Hochstetler and Mrs. Emil (Edna) Helmuth, both of Salem, Ind., Mrs. Richard (Martha) Barton, Akron, Ohio, Mrs. Lynn (Sarah) Ganger, Nappanee.

Also, 2 brothers, Harvey and Eli Slabaugh, both of Nappanee: 9 sisters, Mrs. Emma Byler, Dover, De., Mrs. Uriah (Elizabeth) Mast, Mrs. Jonas (Nancy) Yoder, Mrs. Fannie Borkholder, Mrs. Joel (Martha) Schwartz, all of Etna Green, Mrs. Harvey (Rose) Sutuzman, Mrs. Anna Stutzman, both of Nappanee, Mrs. Walter (Edna) Borkholder, Bourbon, Mrs. Matilda Slabaugh, Texas: 80 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren. 1 son, 1

daughter, 3 brothers and 1 sister preceded him death.

Services were held 9:30 a.m. Wednesday in the Joe Miller residence, three miles east of Community Center with the Bishop Freeman Kuhns and Melvin Miller Officiating. Burial in Graber cemetery.

Steury, Aaron, 79, Montgomery, Indiana

died October 27, 1980 at his home suddenly of a heart attack. He was born July 22, 1901 to Pete and Rosa (Lengacher) Steury. He leaves his wife Mary Ann, whom he married November 17, 1977 and 4 sons and 5 daughter, Furman, Christ and Peter of Leo and Fred Spencerville, Marie Schwartz, New Haven, Barbara Eicher, Martha Wagler and Amanda Graber all of Grabill and Laura Lengacher, Hillsdale, Michigan.

Funeral services were held Oct. 28 at the home, than he was taken to Allen County for funeral on October 30 with burial in

Amish Cemtery near Grabill, Indiana.

Stutzman, Joe. D., 64, New Paris 3, Indiana died October 14.

He was born April 3, 1916, the son of Daniel and Barbara (Chupp) Stutzman and was married to Ruby (Hochstetler) Stutzman.

Surviving besides his wife are the following children; Mrs. Ward Borkholder, Bremen and Mrs. John Fry (Ielma), New Paris 3, Delbert, LaMar, and Owen. 314

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Services were held October 17 at the home of Mrs. Sylvia Hochstetler, by bishop Levi Plank assisted by Fred Miller and Ben Miller.

Summy, Fannie N., 71, Grantsville, Maryland

died October 21, 1980 from a blood clot thru the heart.

She was born in Elk Lick Twp. and was a daughter of the late Noah and Matilda (Yoder) Lee. She was married to Eli J. Summy. She was a member of the Niverton Amish District.

She is survived by her husband and 5 sons and 2 daughters, Simon, Wren, Ga., Dan, Fredericksburg, Va., Floyd, Salisbury, Harvey at the home farm, Grantsville, Md., and Bennie, Meyersdale #3; Mrs. David (Amanda) Kinsinger, Salisbury, Mrs. Sam (Effie) Kinsinger, Meyersdale.

She is also survived by 2 sisters, Mrs. Enos (Lizzie) Peachey and Mrs. Dave (Ivy) Hostetler, Dry Run. She had 24 grand-

children and 3 proceded her in death.

Services were held at the Niverton Church by David Beachy and Willie Lee of Snyder County, Pa. Burial was also at Niverton.

Weaver, Lizzie Ann, 77, #4 LaGrange

died October 11 in Goshen Hospital where she had been a patient one week. She had been ill three weeks.

She was born in Holmes County, Ohio, December 1, 1902, the

daughter of Daniel and Susie (Hershberger) Mast.

She was married December 2, 1920, to Levi J. Weaver, who

survives.

Also surviving are 3 daughters, Lydia Weaver, Shipshewana, Mrs. William (Mary) Schrock, Middlebury and Mrs. Ivan (Susie) Kuhns, Nappanee; 5 sons, Daniel and Jonas, both of Topeka, Samuel, LaGrange, John, Middlebury and Clarence, Sarasota, Fla.; a brother, John Mast, Kenton, Ohio; a sister, Mrs. Levi (Susie) Eash, Shipshewana; 37 grandchildren and 61 greatgrandchildren.

Funeral services were held Tuesday at 9:30 a.m. in the Daniel Bontrager home with Bishop David J. Bontrager and the Rev. Harvey Lambright officiating. Burial in Yoder Cemetery.

Wittmer, 75, #2 Grabill

died of a heart attack while on the way home from his daughter, Christy Schmuckers, where the family had all been for supper. They were riding with their son, Edwin when it

happened.

Surviving are his wife Emma; 5 sons, Fred, John, David and Edwin #2 Grabill, Benjamin Jr. #1 Woodburn; 6 daughters, Martha Schmucker, Leah Schucker, Amanda Schmucker #1 New Haven; Mary Ann Zehr, Kathryn Schmucker, Grabill and Amelia Schwartz, South Whitley and a sister Lucy Lengacher of New Haven.

Funeral services were held in main house by Pre. Eli Wagler of Daviess County and in summer house by Bish. Noah Eicher and in shed by Pre. Amos Schwartz of Homer, Michigan. Burial in Amish Cemetery.

Troyer, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Moses E.

died when only a few days old, he was a 3 lb. baby.

Yoder, Mrs. Mattie, 88, Arcola, Ill.

died October 18 in Melvin Chupp residence.

She was born in Holmes County, Ohio, July 28, 1892, a daughter of Noah J. and Catherine (Mast) Yoder and was narried to Fred Yoder, January 8, 1914. She was a member of the Old Order Amish.

She is survived by 3 sisters, Mrs. Elizabeth Ott, Mrs. Fannie Plank and Mrs. Katie Plank. She was preceded in death by 1

brother and 3 sisters. They had no children.

Funeral services were held on October 20 at the Melvin Chupp residence in Illinois and on October 21 at the Levi Yoder residence in Kalona, Iowa. In Kalona they were held by Andy Hershberger of Howard County, Ind. and by Menno Miller in Illinois. She was buried beside her husband who passed away 4 years ago. They had formerly lived in Kalona.





### **CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS**

Conawango Valley, New York - Mose D. Stutzman

October had about 8 days sunny and a bit snow the 13th and rain and sleet the 20th and a hard frost 22nd when the steering committee meeting was being very chilly and cloudy. Then Thursday and Friday it was nice and sunny. Saturday the 25th an all day rain and turned to snow by Sunday morning the 26th and flurries with ½ inch. Monday 27th again ½ inch, the 28th a wee bit fine snow and the 29th. The fields south of Randolph were white till Thursday the 30th it being sunny again and drying off. It was too wet in bottoms to husk corn. New cribs are being put up. Some people are done and others just starten. Quite a few huskings for the young folks between weddings. The biggest part of leaves are off of trees it seems.

Cattle markets of Cherry Creek sale October 22nd. Dairy cows \$1300. and down, beef cows  $.52\frac{1}{2}$  and down, beef bulls  $59\frac{3}{4}$  a lb. and down, heifer calves \$1.50 a lb. and down, veal

calves .95 and down, butcher hogs .481/2 and down.

Norfolk, New York - Ben Schwartz

October total rainfall was 1.8. We still don't have snow here as of the 1st of November, but areas east of here in the foothills of the Adirondack Mountains there is snow for a week.

Corn husking has started, is a fair crop. In this area most of the husking corn is about a 70 day strain.

Milk has dropped some in volumn in October at the cheese

Dear and bear season is open, the coons are getting their chases. We got 3 the 31st. Geese and ducks have headed for the south, but many had to stay when the season opened. I was lucky enough to get 5 geese.

Dauphin County, Millersburg, Penna. - Mrs. Benuel B. Fisher
October with its bright blue skies. Had very nice weather.
Cool in the morning, but the sun soon warms it up. Coldest was
26 degrees. Had an all day rain the 25th which was very appreciated giving us 2 inches of rain and giving the fall grain crops a
good start. Most of the fall crops are in. Men are hauling

Centre County, Brush Valley, Penna. - David B. Stoltzfus

Except for light showers October was continued dry until the 25th when we had over two inches of rain followed by several days of colder, quite windy weather. We had a few hard frosts in the beginning of the month and numerous mornings of between 15 and 20 degrees toward the end of the month.

Most of the corn is picked and was an average crop. Fodder is

being brought in as weather permits.

manure and doing repair jobs.

Nittany Valley, Penna. - Henry M. Glick October weather continues to be dry but cooler. We had a little shower the 1st. The 5th and 6th we had a killing frost. Stayed nice and clear till the 10th we had a little rain and again on the 12th. The 21st, 22nd we had a hard frost again. On the 25th we had a good all day rain and some more the 27th - 2½ inches, all total 3.6 inches.

Corn is being picked and corn fodder baled. Some are plowing since it rained. Corn yield is average to good.

Montour County, Penna. - Amos K. Stoltzfus

October was a nice and dry month with 3 or 4 hard frosts. The coldest morning it was in the low 20's. On the 26th we had alittle better than 2 inches of rain.

The wheat didn't start off so good in account of the dry weather, but the rain helped alot. Some hay was made, but it was hardly worthwhile making. I guess the summer is about over. The best crops this summer was wheat. Grain and hay prices are going sky high.

Lebanon County, Penna. - Levi S. King

Fields were dry and dusty until October 25th when we had wind storms and  $1^{1/2}$  inches of rain. It was almost too dry for the wheat to come up which was sown the beginning of the month

Corn is about all husked and was about ½ crop here at the northern end of the county while farther south they had more rain and better corn crops. A number of new corn cribs were built so people must be looking forward to better years. Also a new set of farm buildings and a couple of new houses are being built to make places for the young people again.

### Leola, Bareville Area, Penna. - Levi L. Stoltzfus

Rainfall for area 3.85 inches.

Market report: fat cattle choice 77.00-75.50 cwt.; bull choice 62.50 cwt.; veal prime 124.00 - 129.00 cwt.; fat hogs 49.00 -52.00 cwt.; 40 lb. feeder pigs 70.00 - 86.00 cwt.; poultry steady with last month large eggs .75 dz., med . 72 dz.; potatoes retail 11.00 - 12.00 cwt.; corn by ton 1010.00 - 134.00 by bu. 3.80; wheat 4.60 bu., barley 2.50 bu.; oats 2.10 bu.; hay 50.00 - 149.00 ton; straw 56.00 - 73.00 ton; corn fodder 38.00 - 56.00 ton; milk

Coatesville, Chester County, Penna. - J. Elmer Lapp

October brought us more precipitation than the last few months, although only several days that we couldn't do field work. We had light showers on the 2nd, 3rd and 7th, on the 18th .6, on the 25th 2.8. Our first frost on the 22nd, a pretty hard one, coldest temperature 30 legrees on the 31st. Total rainfall 4.4 inches.

Corn harvest was done in record time this fall. Only a field here and there that is left to pick. Most all the corn fodder to be baled is done. A few have started to plow for spring planting. Small grains have come up nicely. Water supplies are again slighty better. A nearby city has put restrictions on water use. Car washing is one of them. Some stop near a creek to do this.

St. Marys County, Maryland - Amos R. Stoltzfus

Our weather for October was on the dry side but enough rain to work the fields nice and to sprout the seeded grain. It looks like every grain sprouted! It is so different from last year when it was so wet. 1/2 inch of rain fell Oct. 3, .2 with hail in some areas on the 11th. 2 inches on the 25th and .3 on the 28th. First frost October 14th another heavy frost October 31st. An early fall, especially in field work. Corn was ripe earlier due to the dry summer and there were very few days that silo filling and discing and seeding etc. were interrupted by the weather. And it took more acres to fill the silos therefore less corn to husk.

Delta, York County, Penna. - Andrew H. Beiler
In October we had several good rains again. We had an inch the 3rd, .6 the 18th and a cold 11/2 inches the 25th, this being our first all day rain since spring. It was quite warm the first part of the month. We had our first frost on the 23rd with a low of 30 also very frosty the 31st.

We have our corn picked with a lot better yield than I had expected earlier in the year. We had about 20% less than last year. The fall show is on again with the trees in the wood a sight to behold all arranged by the Master artist.

Perry County, Penna. - Amos M. Stoltzfus

October's bright blue weather, beautiful clouds and colorful mountains are now almost past for this season.

October 25th we 3 .6 inches of rain. We had one other light shower but that was it for this month.

It is still very dry. The water level is very low and people's wells and springs are drying up that have never been dry before. There have been two mountain fires recently, one here and one in a neighboring county. Therefore, there are strict warnings against hunters smoking and making bonfires.

Snow flurries October 26th. The mornings are getting chilly.

We are haveing frost now.

Due to the dry weather, most of the corn was short and went into the silos early. Most of the people are done picking what was left and have their corn fodder harvested, except my dad. We had only 7 acres left so we are husking our corn by hand and putting the fodder in shocks.

Synder County, McClure, Penna. - John Y. Speicher

October was very dry. Some light showers then windy and colder. Also had some warm days then Friday night the 24th and 25th it rained around 2 inches some places more. Some wells and springs are still on the low side. Some people are drilling new wells. Did not have a real killing frost till late in October also had some very windy days. The last day of October it warmed up to the 50's. Low morning temperature was around 20 degrees. The pond was froze over with a thin sheet of ice. This November 1st morning temperature is 40 and windy. Also had very light snow flurry in October.

Early sown fall crops are coming along nice, late sowing needs more moisture to get a better stand before the ground freezes.

Southern Snyder County, Penna. - Sam M. Troyer

October was dry until the 24th when it started to rain and 316

rained 3 inches which got some of the creeks to moving again. The coldest we had was around 25 degrees. A lot of corn is husked, it was very nice to get the crops in, but it was hard on the pastures. The apple crop was excellant. We didn't have any snow to date.

Juniata County, Penna. - David Y. Renno

The weather here was cool and dry, a total of 3 inches of rain fell mostly the last few days followed by heavy frosts and in the low 20's in the mornings. Our first killing frost was on October 6th, but none then until the last of the month.

Wheat came up eneven and some was not sowed till the last of October after it rained 21/2 inches on the 26th. Corn is all away and was an average crop.

Weddings started the 28th.

Mifflin County, Penna. - Catherine Swarey

October was a rather cool dry month. Beautiful weather to husk and dry corn, some fodder has already been hauled in.

Very foggy mornings the 1st, 6, 7, and 8th. Some days it was warmed up pretty nice with cool night. Hard frost the 25th killing everything except petunias. About .4 inches of rain during the month till the 25th we were blessed with 2 inches of

Franklin County, Penna. - Jacob E. Flaud

Typical fall weather very little rainfall during the month. Fall foilage was at its peak. Around the middle of the month on the 25th there were high winds and had about 2 inches of rainfall over the weekend.

Adams County, Gettysburg, Pa. - Elizabeth A. Stoltzfus

The month of October was dry with only around 2½ inches of rain. The 25th was a rainy day when over 2 inches fell. We were privileged to see a bright and beautiful rainbow in the a.m. It later turned windy that day and was cold and windy the next day, with temperature at 36 degrees. Our first morning with freezing temperature was on the 23rd with the coldest on the 31st of 27 degrees. Autumn leaves were pretty this fall.

Farmers in this area sowed a lot of winter grains. Small game season opens on November 1st. Pheasants are scarce around

here this year.

Apples were plentiful, with Staymens selling at \$3.00 per bu.

Meversdale, Somerset County, Penna. - Mary A. Kinsinger

The weather was unusually dry for October but we also had several nice rains with approx. 4 inches or so. Also had about an inch of snow on the 25th, but didn't last very long.

Corn husking is the work among the men and what ever else

is needing to be done.

Southern Mercer County, Penna. - Mrs. E. H. Kurtz

We are having real nice October weather. Many days of sunshine and also a few rainy days. Had 3 days of light sprinkles, night of 10th had rain with thunder and lightning then again on the 13th a rainy day and the 25 an all day rain. Had snow flurries on the 26, but melted about as soon as it hit the ground. Had several light frosts, but on the 14th had a hard frost with temperature at 30. From the 15th to the 18th had from 62 to 72 daytime temperature.

Mercer County, Penna. - Dan J. Trover

October was nice with some cloudy and drizzly days, but no measureable rain until the 25th had 1.6 inches then during the night it turned colder and snowed, had about 2 inches on the 26th. Temperature in mornings was mostly in the 30's until the 30th it dipped down to 22, the first real killer.

Corn crop is very good. A lot of corn around to husk yet while

some is done.

Cows have not been in the barns much yet this fall.

Crawford County, Penna. - Mrs. Menno Fisher

We had plenty of October bright blue weather. Good weather to pick corn and farmers are mostly done. A fair crop, cribs are not as full as in several previous years.

We had several prolonged wet spells earlier in the summer which stunted corn in low areas. We had our first hard frost on the 23rd. Total rainfall was 4.13 including several traces of snow. Lowest temp. was 24, highest 72.

Lots of apples around, a lot of cider being made.

Geauga County, Ohio - Eli E. Miller

October was nice to get corn in. Had first frost by 10th. Had

some showers at different times. Snowed on the 26th. Some places had about 6 inches. A lot of leaves on trees yet.

Feeder pigs were some lower at last sale. Fat hog prices are around 50. cwt. Milk is about same. A good demand for dairy cows.

Colt sale is booked for 31st. 119 colts consigned. The first sale in this area at Burton Fairgrounds.

Wayne County, Ohio - John Stutzman

We had a few snow flakes over the week end of October 20th. Had 18 degrees one morning this week. Nice fall weather. A good corn crop. Most of it is in the cribs. Some late ones are finishing up.

Weather is ideal for the fall work, like making wood, gathering nuts, winterizing the house and barn. The old timers claim there's not much snow this winter as the hornets nests are low and on the ground. Let's wait and see.

Holmes County, Ohio - Mrs. John H. Yoder

Beautiful fall weather. Pretty much on the cold side. We had a low of 20 degrees, the fore part of the month was plenty dry and the rest of the month we had rains totaling 3½ inches. Most of the hand husking is done and a few have started to husk with the machine.

The leaves are mostly all down, but not all raked.

Wheat was slow coming up until after the good rains and is coming nicely now.

Eastern Holmes County, Ohio - Raymond S. Weaver

October brought us typical fall weather. Exceptionally pleasant. Cool spells followed by warmer weather. We had some good soaking rains on the 18th and the 25th totaling over 2 inches.

Farmers have had excellant weather during corn harvesting this year. Corn had dried out earlier than some years.

South Eastern Holmes County, Ohio - John L. Yoder

For October we were blessed as the old saying goes "Octobers Bright Blue Weather." A few showers and also some frosty mornings. Farmers took advantage of it.

Corn husking on stalks is coming to a close. Some on shock

yet to be husked by machine.

Hogs some up and down but about holding their own. Pigs a little better. Dairy cattle still high and also holds true for beef and feeders. Colts sold good at recent colt sale.

Western Tuscarawas County, Ohio - Jonas N. Borntrager

Lots of Octobers bright blue weather, also a few showers and frosts. Everything is froze that was outside. More rain is needed to strenghten the springs before winter sets in.

Farmers are nearly done husking corn which was a fair crop. Shock corn husking has not started yet. There is not much of it in our neighborhood. Lots of fall pasture. Livestock is out. Wheat has a fairly good start.

Hogs just below .50, beef is working upwards, strong demand

for good colts and draft horses.

There were lots of apples this fall.

Ashland County, Ohio - Ammon A. Troyer

The month of October was real nice with lots of sunshine. Leaves are about all off the trees now.

We had 2.3 inches of rain.

Most of the corn is husked by now, which is a good crop this fall.

Kenton, Ohio - Jonas Borntrager

The season as a whole was a little on the dry side and quite warm through July and August.

Wheat and oats were a fair crop with soybeans and corn real good, which is mostly harvested at this time.

LaGrange County, Indiana - Anna D. Eash

October was a quite normal month weather wise. We had some rain and some real nice "corn husking" days with bright blue skies. We have had several killing frosts and the leaves falling keeps us busy raking leaves.

Gardens are practically cleaned up for this season.

We had a "lovely" snow about 1 inch, but didn't stay except on bushes, etc.

Weddings are keeping some really busy. We have had several funerals. Several sicknesses also.

Allen County, Indiana - Mrs. John Schmucker

Had nice autumn weather. Had a few thunderstorms and

showers at beginning of the month and very warm thru the day and cool nights. People are starting to husk corn.

Had very nice weather which made it nice to get the corn crop in. Most everyone is finished and lots of plowing is being done. Had our first frost the 5th and snow flurries on the 25th but didn't stay long.

Daviess County, Indiana - Elizabeth Mae Raber

The month of October was nice fall weather for harvesting fall crops. We had frost earlier than some years. Had a hard frost on the 5th with a temperature of 30 degrees and had some hard frosts different times since, the coldest was on the 30th with a temperature of 24 degrees.

We had some nice warm days with a high of 85 degrees on the 8th. We had 3.6 inches of rainfall for the month with 2.3 inches on the 17th which was a rainy day, rained quite hard that

norning.

Marshell County, Indiana - Mrs. Menno Schwartz

The weather here is ideal fall weather. We really had a killing frost this morning.

Corn is at a very good stage to harvest.

The communion churches are over around here.

Komoko, Indiana - Mrs. Ivan J. Gingerich

The farmers all enjoyed the beautiful harvest weather during the month of October. We had our first frost the 5th, but it didn't kill everything till around the middle of the month. We had several night rains in the third week, but on the 17th it lasted all day and night.

Corn crop average, produced around 30 bu. to the acre, less than other years. Winter wheat is up to a good stand. Farmers have made a good start on the fall plowing. The women have been busy butchering old hens and cleaning house.

Lovington, Illinois - Henry R. Yoder

The month of October was typical of the old saying. Blue skies and cold on every Sunday. The first killing frost on the first Sunday morning of October.

Farmers are well caught up with their fall work. Corn is nearly all harvested with a slight below average yield. Perhaps

down 30% from last years record yield.

Soybeans were down some from last year, but not as much as corn. The price is up however around 3.41 per bu. Soybeans 8.50 per bu. which also varies from day to day.

Milk price is favorable for the dairy man. Cattle about steady

and hogs. 46. - 47. cwt. for fat cattle.

Bloomfield, Iowa, Davis County - Mrs. Daniel D. Yoder

A beautiful fall for harvesting the drops. Our first hard killing frost was had on the 26th with a few lighter ones earlier. On the 27th we got about 3/4 inches of rain turning to snow giving us a nice blanket. Temperature remained around freezing making hazardous driving. On the morning of the 28th we had 20, but soon warmed up and snow was nearly gone by the second day.

Recently 42 lb. pigs brought 41.50 and 60 lb. brought 50. Crops in general may not be yielding quite so well. Hay sells

for 2.00 a bale if it goes south.

Marion, Kentucky - Samuel Hertzler

The weather for October has been on the cool side, -frosts were early and hard. it is a change over from unseasonably warm in September to unseasonably cool in October. We had a 2 inch rain in September. We have enough moisture for the fall grains to grow. How the year rates as an official report on moisture, I do not know, but old timers say they never saw it so dry before.

Lobelville, Perry Co. Tennessee - Ruth Miller

September was a rather dry month altho we were just here till the 9th. Us and Simon Beachys were in Indiana picking apples, so thats the reason I didn't write in here for September.

October was a busy month, the weather fair but alittle on the dry side. The temperature being around 30 to 32 in the morning and usually in the afternoon it would go up in the 60's. The total rainfall for the month is about 5 inches.

The cane had all been harvested and the corn is being picked, most of the people have their corn already picked and are sowing the cover crop which is either wheat or rye.

By the way, the Diaries are getting real interesting with all those stories. I find myself real anxiously looking forward to the next one.

Ethridge, Tennessee - Moses J. Gingerich

October was an ideal fall month with some frost, also some rain the latter part of the month.

Most of the fall grains are sowed. Corn is mostly husked, still

a little cane to cook.

Anabel, Missouri - Mrs. Abe Y. Borntreger

September brought us a nice amount of moisture.

Wheat is looking nice and pastures and yards look nice and green again. Beans are a good crop, while some corn is a failure.

October was more dry giving farmers a chance to harvest

crops and sow more wheat.

We had our first frost the 5th, a killing frost the middle of the month. It has been cold enough to freeze the ground the last few nights, but warms up during the day.

Marshfield, Missouri - Ruben Yoder

We did receive between 4 and 5 inches of rain for the month of October which got the creeks running again. Ponds are up a little, but we also have had unseasonally cold which froze most things and seems it just stays cold, the lowest was 22 on the 28th

LaPlata, Missouri - Mrs. Mose M. Borntrager

October was a bright blue and beautiful month, one sunny day right after another, till about the last week. The 24th and 27th it was cool and rainy. The 1st 3 Sundays we had frost. The evening of the 27th the rain turned to snow, enough to cover the ground nicely, but it was unusually early to get snow in October. About 16 miles south of us, no snow, so must be we got the tail end of a snow they were having further north. Since it was pretty cold at times. Temperature around 40 the last couple days. One morning lately around 20. Today it was nice and sunny again, but rather a chilly wind.

Webster County, Seymour, Missouri - Menno E. Schwartz

Were having nice fall weather, with the trees in full bloom, of all colors.

We finally had some rain, 4.5 inches on the 15 and 16 of

October. The first real rain since first part of June.

Were starting to haul water when God sent this wonderful blessing and gave us some water in the ponds. Now the pipe lines are again running to the livestock. Oct. 27th, raining, raining what nice music for the Ozark region, it rained 1.6 the last week of October.

Jamesport, Missouri - Amos W. Yoder

Mostly nice sunshine, but also several quite windy days, and 4 inches rain through October. The coldest morning it was at 24 degrees.

Soybeans are harvested and yielded 30 to 40 bu. per acre. The price for beans varied from day to day, but it had been

some over 8.00 per bu. several days.

Audrain County, Missouri - Samuel D. Beachy

October was very clear and dry until the 15th after that we had several nice rains, that helped fill the ponds a little, but still very low, but the ground condition is real good at present. We had the hardest frost, 24 degrees the 26th. Had several lighter ones earlier already.

Fall plowing is being done, some wheat sown since the rains, but slowly coming up being so cool since. Beans are not turning out too bad, but corn was very poor, especially for the tractor farmers. Two different were busy cooking sorghum the last 5 or

6 weeks.

Windsor, Missouri - Mrs. Monroe Hershberger

Rainfall in October totaled some over 4 inches. Had light frosts earlier in the month, then a good frost the 25th. Also

more foggy weather. Nice fall weather to get crops in.

Some were still filling silo and sowing wheat. Many are coming with orders for firewood or to have dead trees cut, or trimmed out in town. Others are waiting to have horses shod just as soon as Monroe has finished up cooking sorghum. He was laid up in bed, 4 days from a severe case of earache. His eardrum burst and drained, but is working again now.

Apples are being canned and cider made.

Haven, Reno County, Kansas - Mrs. E. E. Schrock

Had several nice rains and had some lighting and thunder this month. It is real nice again. We are enjoying Octobers Bright Blue Weather. Leaves began falling again.

Silos are filled. Flower bulbs and house plants are inside again

ready for the cold winter months. Some milo and combine yet for people who want to have it at home for winter use.

Cattle are brought home from the summer pastures with new baby calves added to the herd.

Reno County, Kansas - Edward A. Mast

We had a lot of nice sunny days during October. Our first

hard frost came on the 28th.

Most of the fall work is done except for some late planted milo which needed frost to ripen. Silate feed was average varying quite a bit sudan was high in nitrates this fall. Total rainfall for the month was 1½ inches. Wheat is greening up except along tree rows.

Pawnee City, Nebraska - Mrs. Rudy Troyer

Milo has been harvested and also quite a lot of the corn. Corn

crop isn't much to brag on due to dry weather.

We had several rains throughout October. I don't know the amount in inches, but would guess hardly more than 2 inches in all. We had several frosts. On the morning of the 25th it was hard enough to finish up growth for the season. On the 27th it rained in the morning but by noon it was snowing and by evening the ground was white. Each day since has been warmer again and by the 30th it was warm enough to work outside without coats.

Utica, Minnesota - Atlee J. Shetler

October had been on an average. Nice to get our fall crops in. We had our first killing frost on the 5th. The last week was real nice and had our Bright Blue Weather and sunshine enjoyed by all

A lot of fall plowing has been done and corn picking is in full swing by hand and also by the English, with fair to good yields for as dry as it was during part of June and July.

Cashton, Wisconsin - Joe C. Borntreger

The weather through October has been a little on the wet side, although we did have some drying weather that gave the farmers a chance to fill silos and finish second and third crop hay. Had several good frosts, some corn has been cribbed.

Blair, Wisconsin - Mrs. Moses S. Miller

October started in cool and damp, till the 6th it warmed up. Was beautiful the 7th, 8th, 9th and 10th. Turned colder the 11th. Was cool, cloudy and damp again. With snow in the air the 24th and 25th. The 28th it warmed up and had sunshine the last 4 days of the month. The 23rd we had another heavy rain which left our corn fields soft, muddy. Most of the Amish are done husking corn which was a good crop, considering our dry spell during July and August.

Amherst, Wisconsin - Mrs. L. J. Borntrager

October had ideal weather. With some bright clear blue skies. Also a fair amount of moisture and some snow flurries.

Corn is being picked, while some is in shock to shredd later on

Milk prices still rising 12.10 for 3.5 test.

September was wet. Had about a week of sunshine from the 3rd to the 10th, but the rest of the month it rained a shower or more almost every day. Had a lot of foggy cloudy and damp weather throughout the month. A sunny day was very welcome. Had a light frost Sept. 17. A few harder frosts since.

A lot of hay was put in silos as weather wasn't favorable to put up dry. Silos are being filled with corn. Some low fields are

very soft, almost too soft for corn binders.

Branch County, Michigan - Mrs. Noah N. Schwartz
Weatherwise October has been a very beautiful month. No real hard frost till the last week of the month when the temperature dipped down to 18 degrees. Our first snow flurries were on the 25th. On the 28th the ground was white with wet, heavy snow. Some snow can still be seen in places.

Much corn has been harvested with fairly good yields.

Bronson, Michigan - Ora A. Graber

In general the month was beautiful with nice sunshine and blue October skies. Rainfall was normal. We had a few inches of snow on the 28th, enough for ice cream, for the early gatherers.

The corn was ripe almost 2 weeks early this year and the harvest is well on its way. The crop is fair, but lacking the bountiful yield of last year. Considering all the storms and damage, we must say the crops did well.

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Norwich, Ontario - Levi D. Stutzman

October was more cool and damp with 4.4 inches rain.

A lot of people are finished husking corn. Several haven't started. Plowing is in full swing.

Wingham, Ontario - Barbara Gingerich

October has been abnormally wet and cool, with a light skiff

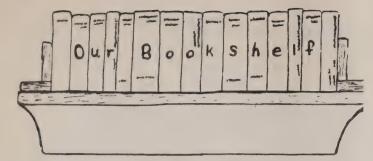
of snow on the 13th and snow flurries on the 26th.

Corn husking is about half done among the Amish, much less among the English, due to soft fields. Lots of plowing has been

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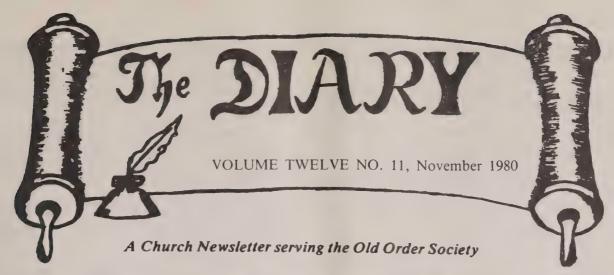
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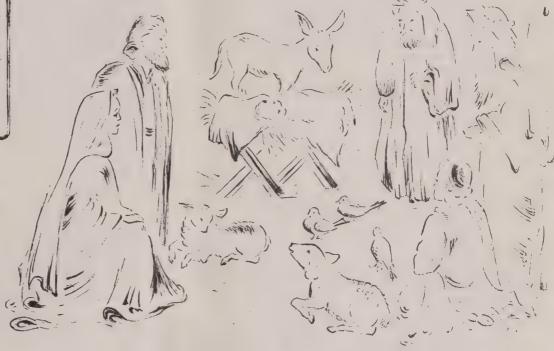
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### **COMMUNITY NOTES**

### Johnson County, Iowa

A double wedding was held November 27, for Herbert and Leslie Miller (brothers) and Edna and Alma Schlabach (sisters).

### Wilmot, Ohio - Senior Couple Die in Auto Accident

Abraham Miller, 85, and his wife Fannie (Miller) Miller, 77, died in a freak automobile accident, November 8. Abraham died on arrival at the Demlap Memorial Hospital in Orrville, Ohio and Fannie died in the Akron City Hospital. Their daughter, Mabel, was also injured.

The Millers were both natives to Holmes County, Ohio where they lived most of their lives. Abraham was widely known as a

former flour miller and feed manufacturer.

Joint funeral services were held in the Ivan J. Miller home. See obituary.

### Middlebury, Indiana - Senior Member Dies

Alfred Kauffman, 93, was found dead at home of his son Ben, 59489 C R 35, Middlebury, Indiana. He was married to Clara (Miller) Kauffman who preceded him in death. See obituary.

### Lancaster County, Pa. - Senior Bishop Dies

Christian M. Fisher, 78, Ronks, Pa., died November 27, after a lengthy illness. A life native of Lampeter Township. He was a son of the late Minister Christian and Rachel (Stoltzfus) Fisher. He was ordained to the ministry in 1928 and bishop in 1956. He had two ordained brothers who preceded him in death, Amos M. and Henry U. See obituary.

### Homesville, Ohio · Man Kicked in Face by a Horse

Atlee E. Weaver, 27, was kicked by a horse, above and below the eye. He was in the Mansfield Hospital around 10 days and had a plastic surgery.

### Millersburg, Ohio - Man Breaks Leg

Minister Wayne E. Miller, #4 Box 59, age 27, was baling corn fodder, a zerk caughter his tinkley boot as he wanted to go back on the cart. Knocked him down and broke his leg at 2 different places. He managed to get on the cart and drove home. He was in the Wooster Hospital around 10 days. He has it in a cast now.

### Lancaster, County, Penna. - Boy Saws Thumbs

Aaron, 16, son of Benjamin Lantz, #2 Strasburg, sawed his thumbs, Oct. 26, while working at David S. Fishers. He was sawing a board on the tablesaw and caught his thumb. He chipped the bone and cut the tendon so that they had to wire it together. He has his arm and thumb in a cast. He may not use it for five weeks.

### Holmes County, Ohio - Three year old has cystic fibrosis

Junior, 3 year old son of Minister and Mrs. Albert N. Yoder, #4 Millersburg, was taken to Akron Hospital to clean out his lungs. He has cystic figrosis. He has to stay for 10 days.

### Ethridge, Tenn. - Community homes vacated after gas accident

In the eve after dark of Nov. 28, we had quite an excitement here when patrol and sherriff cars, fire trucks and ambulances (and even a hearsh went past). Of course we could see that there was something going on just up the road a bit. A propane gas truck had lost control and turned over. Something was smoking which caused quite a bit of concern. No one was hurt. About 9 or 10 houses were ordered to be vacated.

### Buchanan County, Iowa - Woman Breaks Leg

Ida, wife of Joe A. Yoder had a mishap, Nov. 16, while getting breakfast. She fell and broke her leg just below the hip joint. We had her at home caring for her in a hospital bed. She couldn't turn herself in bed. By Wednesday she was having a fever. So by Friday we called a doctor in and we rushed her to the hospital. They had I. V. on her till Nov. 25, when fever had left. We took her home, Nov. 26. She had a kidney infection.

### St. Marys County, Maryland - Man Breaks Leg

David B. Hertzler, 31, Charlotte Hall, broke his leg in several places on Nov. 1, when 8 pieces of plywood fell over and caught him. He saw that they were falling down and went to move a

lantern and didn't quite make it out of the way. He has a cast on up over the knee.

### Mifflin County, Penna - 15 month old has spinal meningitis

Linda, 15 month old daughter of Norman and Nancy Yoder took sick, Nov. 30, with what doctors called spinal meningitis. She was taken to Huntingdon Hospital.

### Adams County, Penna. - Community Notes

Sam Z. Byler, Gettysburg, #9, Box 3, 17325, fell and broke his arm above the elbow, Nov. 21, when he slipped and fell off of a plank at John B. Fishers. The bone was completely broken off, but stayed in place. He had much pain.

Emma, daughter of Isaac L. Stoltzfuss had an operation to have her appendic removed, Nov. 25, at the Gettysburg Hospital. Emma and Levi King Jr. had planned their wedding date for the 27th. The wedding was postponed, but doctor thinks she'll be able to get married, December 4.

### Lovington, Illinois - Community Notes

Alvin Schrock, age 66, fell out in the yard and fractured his leg close to the hip joint. He was hospitalized for over two weeks but is home again but in bed mostly. Doctor still advises leg elevation. He has suffered quite a bit of pain.

Lloyd Kaufman had the misfortune to get kicked by a horse which left a cut on his lip which required 5 stitches to close it. He just recovered or is recovering from a previous accident (4 years ago). His foot had caught in a manure auger.

Mrs. Lester Jess fell or jumped from a two wheel cart and fractured her foot that she had a walk with the aide of crutches.

### Clark, Missouri - Community Notes

William, 20, son of Elmer W. Bontragers broke his leg after the singing at Eli Burkholders on Nov. 16, while tussling with a married man. He was taken to Mexico Hospital that night yet and stayed for almost a week, it was a bad break, both bones broken right above the ankle and also a chip off the ankle ball, they put in several screws.

Enos Eicher (Cancer victim) again is not so well at present, they doctored in old Mexico about a month in August and seemed pretty good whey they returned.

### Anabel, Missouri - Community Note

Mrs. Neal (Susie) Borntrager had a blackout on morn of Nov. 9 and fell on her right arm, she tore some ligaments in her arm so it is very painful. Also had a blood clot in it. She has since found out she has high blood pressure which probably caused it. She is gaining slowly and has many long days.

### Utica, Minnesota - Community Notes

John J. Borntrager, our oldest member was not able to be in church due to muscle spasms and dizziness on the 29th and 30th. He was with the doctor and is at home now and has improved but stays inside.

Amos J. Yoder and 3 of the boys were hauling home some long barn timbers they got to build a new barn on his other farm. The front ends were on a box wagon and the back ends on a 2 wheel trailer of a wagon, coming onto the highway from the lane they were not able to make the turn and a semi came around a curve, so Amos tried to flag him down, but the driver didn't see him, till he was to close and plowed into the wagon. David was on the wagon. It broke the neck yoke and the 4 horses took off and ran in the ditch before they were stopped. No one was hurt. The wagon had been up right. There was some damage to the wagon box. The accident happened about  $4\frac{1}{2}$  miles south of St. Chares on 74.

### Cashton, Wisconsin - Community Notes

Mrs. Chris Hershberger and son Monroe seem to be recuperating since their hospital stay, where she had an operation for a ruptured cyst the size of a grapefruit, and he was kicked by a horse, to the extent that he had abusted intestine, they were both able to attend weddings.

### Haven, Kansas - Community Notes

William J. Bontrager is released from the hospital and is out on a chair at times after their car-buggy accident 5 weeks ago.

Mrs. Harry Wayne Bontrager is to have her cast taken off her leg Dec. 1, from the broken ankle she received when they had a

run away in September. She had been going on crutches. Mrs. Ruby Bontrager remains about the same.

### Johnson County, Iowa - Community Note

David H. Bender, 68, passed away yesterday a. m. of a heart attack on Nov. 27. Obituary later.

### Chesley, Ontario - Community Notes

On November 5, early in the morning Emery Shetler's chicken dressing and implement shed burnt to the ground by an over heated stove pipe. It as been rebuilt since.

### Tuscarawas County, Ohio - Visiting Minister

Preacher and Mrs. Glen J. Miller, Nappanee, Indiana attended church in Northeast Barrs Mills District, Nov. 9, at Dan J. Millers. On Monday they traveled on to Lancaster County, Pennsylvania with the rest of the van load to attend a wedding, Nov. 11.

### Beebe, McRae, Arkansas - Community Notes

The former settlers of Vilonia, Arkansas (1959-1965) had a get-together at the David Miller residence here on September 12.

Attendance was from a five state area, and most of the former settlers families were represented at the meeting, although quite a few persons were not able to attend.

This get-together was exactly a month before the tragic death of David Miller (last months Diary). His obituary is in this edition.

Ivan Shetler of Shetlers Pallet Shop has hired three young boys from the Huntingdon, Tennessee area to work in his pallet shop. The three are: Mose and Urias Yoder (William) and Mose Troyer (Andy).

Samuel D. Borntrager has left the chicken houses where he had been employed due to a chain of events. Jacob Troyer is now doing everything at the chicken farm. Sammie is planning to leave for Texas when Lester Grabers also leave.

David S. Borntrager of Smiley, Texas was also here to help Sammie move his things, and the rest of his own things to the

twenty acre place here on campground Road.

John Yutzys, son Ferman and daughter Kathryn are gone on a thirty day ticket to visit a number of northern states. They plan to return to December 5, or soon thereafter.

### **BIRTHS**

\* indicates corrections from last month

### Conewango Valley, New York

Byler, Raymond A. (Lizzie Troyer), a son Eli, Nov 12 Detweiler, Bennie B. (Anna Mary Shetler), a dau Susie, Nov 17 Miller, Eli D. (Emma Miller), a son, Nov 29 Shetler, Andy L. (Iva Miller), a dau Katie, Nov 9 Wengerd, Eli N. (Ada Slabaugh), a son Danny, Nov 16 Yoder, Menno J. (Amanda Byler), a son Johnny, Nov 3

### Seneca Falls, New York

Byler, Rudy N. (Savilla E. Yoder), Seneca Falls, a dau Alta, Nov 29

### Clinton County [Sugar Valley], Pennsylvania

Esh, Reuben (Malinda Fisher), #1 Loganton, a dau Mary, Oct 29 Fisher, Elam K. (Mary Blank), #2 Loganton, a dau Sylvia, Nov 8

### Montour County, Pennsylvania

Stoltzfus, Benuel H. (Mary Stoltzfus), #2 Danville, a stillborn dau., Nov 2

Swarey, Christ (Emma Hertzler), #8 Danville, a dau Ella, Nov 22 Stoltzfus, John M. (Barbara Stoltzfus), #1 Bloomsburg, a dau Mary, Nov 25

### Lebanon County, Pennsylvania

Beiler, Elam K. (Barbara Stoltzfus), Myerstown #2, a son Jonas, Nov 19

### Lancaster County, Pennsylvania

Beiler, Ben S. (Sarah Fisher), Christiana #2, a dau. Elizabeth F.,

Beiler, Christ A. (Emma Stoltzfus), Quarryville #2, a dau. Miriam, Nov 12

Beiler, David G. (Malinda Fisher), #1 Gordonville, a dau Rachel F., Oct 2 Beiler, Enos E. (Anna Mary Beiler), #1 Gordonville, a son Amos, Nov 7

Beiler, Ephraim (Katie Kauffman) #1 Bird-in-Hand, a son Samuel S., Nov. 25

Beiler, Henry K. (Naomi Zook), Narvon #2, a son David M., Nov 3 Blank, Amos G. (Rebecca R. Lapp), Oxford #1, a son David L., Oct 11

Esch, John (Lydia Zook), New Providence #1, a son Nov 30
Esh, Aaron K. (Sadie Allgyer), Ronks #1, a son Jonathan A., Nov
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Esh, Amos L. (Annie Stoltzfus), Lititz #2, a dau Fannie S., Nov 27 Esh, David S. (Fannie B. Stoltzfus), Leola, a son Aaron S., Nov 14 Esh, Michael (Sadie Miller), Strasburg #1, a dau Elizabeth M., Nov 15

Fisher, Christ S. (Lydia E. Ebersol), Paradise #1, a dau. Elsie E. Nov 13

Fisher, Ivan (Emma King), Quarryville, a son Enos, Nov 3

Fisher, Samuel (Anna Esh), Kinzers #1, a dau. Katie Mae, Nov. 12 Glick, Abner F. (Salome Fisher), Quarryville, a son Amos K., Nov 3

Glick, David D. (Katie Zook), Paradise #1, a son Isaac, Nov 5 Glick, Emanuel S. (Sadie E. King), Lancaster, a son Emanuel S.

Jr., Oct 22
Click Gideon S. (Lizzie Esh.) Leola #1, a son Levi, Nov 2

Glick, Gideon S. (Lizzie Esh), Leola #1, a son Levi, Nov 2

Glick, John R. (Rebecca Fisher), Quarryville #4, a son David F., Nov 23

Kauffman, Elam E. (Mary S. Stoltzfus), Bird-in-Hand, a son Elmer
S., Oct 25

King, Amos B. (Annie Smoker) Lancaster, a son David, Nov. 6

King, David R. (Ruth Zook) Lititz, a son Aaron Z., Nov. 6

King, Jesse E. (Naomi Stoltzfus), #2 New Holland, a son Samuel, Nov 6

King, John E. (Anna Beiler) Honey Brook #1, a dau. Lydia Ann, Nov. 27

King, John E. (Annie L. Beiler), Oxford #1, a dau Emma B., Nov 16 Lapp, Benjamin S. (Mary Stoltzfus), Honey Brook #1, a dau Lydia S., Oct 6

Lapp, Henry B. (Rebecca B. Stoltzfus), #1 Oxford, a son Jeptha, Nov

Lapp, John (Naomi King), Lancaster, a son John Jr., Nov 19

Lapp, Stephen (Anna Lapp), Kinzers, a son John, Nov 20

Miller, Aaron K. (Sarah Fisher), Gordonville, a dauMary F., Nov 22 Riehl, Lloyd (Ruth Fisher), #1 Gap, a dauRachel Ann, Oct 5

Stoltzfoos, Elam (Priscilla P. Fisher), Leola, a son Elam Jr., Nov 5
Stoltzfoos, John D. (Rachel Stoltzfus) #3 Quarryville a son Samu

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Stoltzfus, Amos (Fannie Stoltzfus), Lititz R3, a son, Nov 6

Stoltzfus, Amos S. (Mary S. Fisher), Lititz #3, a dau Barbara F., Nov 21

Stoltzfus, Ben B. (Lizzie Zook), Quarryville #3, a son Christian, Nov 4 Stoltzfus, Benuel S. (Barbara Beiler) Kinzers #1, a son Ivan Lee, Nov. 7

Stoltzfus, Daniel (Hannah Lapp) Gordonville, a son Paul, Dec. 1 Stoltzfus, Daniel X. (Emma S. Fisher), Elverson #2, a son Samuel F.,

Stoltzfus, David (Katie Fisher), Gap #2, a son Melvin Lee, Oct 4 Stoltzfus, Gideon B. (Katie E. Fisher), Strasburg #1, a dau Sadie Mae,

Nov 25 Stoltzfus, Henry D. (Sadie Beiler), Lancaster, a dau Katie Ann, Oct 29

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Stoltztus, Jacob K. (Annie M. Fisher), Strasburg #1. a son Flam F.

Stoltzfus, Jacob K. (Annie M. Fisher), Strasburg #1, a son Elam F., Nov 14

Stoltzfus, Jacob M. (Annie Beiler), Quarryville #3, a dau Anna B., Nov 23

Stoltzfus, Jesse S. (Sylvia R. Lapp), Quarryville #2, a son Elam L.,
Nov 16

Stoltzfus, John S. (Rebecca Stoltzfus), Christiana #1, a dau Lavina, Nov 28

Stoltzfus, John S. (Annie Fisher), Gordonville, a dau Sadie, Nov 8 Stoltzfus, Jonas S. Jr. (Lizzie Stoltzfus), Honey Brook #1, a son Ivan, Oct 2

Stoltzfus, Omar (Rebecca Fisher), New Holland, a dau Anna, Nov 19 Stoltzfus, Samuel B. (Ruth Stoltzfus), Gap #1, a dau Anna Mae, Oct 19 Stoltzfus, S. Levi (Sadie King), Parkesburg #2, a dau Sadie K., Oct 31

Stoltzfus, Simeon (Barbara Beiler), Gordonville, a son Melvin, Nov 10 Stoltzfus, Stephen (Lydia K. King) Strasburg #1, a dau. Martha, Nov.

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Stoltzfus, Steven K. (Anna Stoltzfus), Narvon #2, a dau Rebecca S., Oct 6

Stoltzfus, Steven M. (Fannie Fisher), Bird-in-Hand #1, a dau Emma F., Nov 17

Zook, Daniel S. (Malinda S. Beiler), Gordonville #1, a dau Anna Mary, Oct 24

### Dover, Delaware

Coblentz, Harvey (Ruth Byler), #1 Hartley, a son Harvey Jr., Nov 13 Miller, David A. (Emma Yoder), #5 Dover, a dau Freda Miller, Paul A. (Mattie Miller), #1 Hartley, a dau Dorothy, Nov 1 Miller, Wm. M. (Alta Byler), #2 Dover, a son William Jr., Nov 9 Yoder, Noah J. (Elizabeth Byler), #2 Dover, a dau Martha, Nov 4

### St. Marys County, Maryland

Esh, John Y. (Lydia Swarey), Charlotte Hall, a dau Susie, Oct 31

### Mifflin County, Pennsylvania

Peachey, Emanuel (Mary Peachey), Belleville, a son **Ephraim**, Nov 28 **Swarey**, David (Katie Yoder), Belleville, a son **Melvin**, Nov 17

### Oakland, Maryland

Slabaugh, Homer (Rhoda Zook), a son William Ernest, Nov 10

### Southern Mercer County, Pennsylvania

Byler, Andy J. (Ada W. Byler), New Wilmington #2, a son Abie, Nov 4 Byler, Levi A. (Sarah R. Wengerd), Volant #3, a son Andy, Oct 13 Mast, Jacob D. (Sarah D. Troyer), Merger #1, a son Erwin, Oct 1 Mast, Sam J. (Susan D. Byler), Volant R3, a dau Iva, Nov 5 Miller, Dan N. (Lydia B. Shetler), New Wilmington #2, a dau Susan, Oct 16

Yoder, Pudy B. (Sally S. Kurtz), Mercer, a dauKatie, Oct 24

### Somerset County, Pennsylvania

Yoder, Menno J. (Nancy Brenneman), Meyersdale, a son Milo, Nov 28 Zook, Lewis A. (Hettie Yoder), Meyersdale, a dau Barbara, Nov 2

### Conneautville, Pennsylvania

Troyer, Abe (Betty Weaver) a son Emery, Nov. 28

### Wayne County, Ohio

Hostetler, Al (Mary Miller), Kidron, a dau Ruth, Nov 27 Miller, Eli G. (Esther Keim), Orrville, a son Aden, Nov 8 Weaver, Aden (Iva Miller), Apple Creek, a dau Rebecca, Nov 4 Yoder, Roy (Clara Yoder), Kidron, a son Steven, Nov 28

## Holmes County, Ohio Barkman, Noah S. (Mattie Weaver), Lakeville, a son Samuel, Nov 7 Chupp, Henry L. (Ella Miller), #5 Millersburg, a dau Ruby Ann, Oct 16

Miller, LeRoy J. (Ada D. Troyer), Baltic, a dau Barbara Ann Mast, Wesley J. (Wilma Miller), #5 Millersburg, a dau Frances, Oct 16 Miller, Alvin (Malinda), #4 Millersburg, a dau Verna, Nov 10 Miller, Henry J. (Amanda Hershberger), #1 Holmesville, a son Nov 22 Nisley, Alton E. (Nora Stutzman), Millersburg, a dau Dora, Oct 26 Shetler, Paul (Mary Ann Barkman), #4 Millersburg, a son Robert Troyer, David (Erma), #4 Millersburg, a son Titus, Oct 26 Yoder, Eli D. S. (Fannie Yoder), #2 Millersburg, a dau Betty, Nov 9

Erb, Henry L. (Esther Hershberger), Baltic, a dau Linda, Nov 21

Yoder, Atlee J. (Arie Gingerich), #2 Fredericksburg, a son, Oct 18

Yoder, Eli H. (Fannie Miller), Baltic, a son Samuel, Nov 9 Yoder, Henry J. C. (Annie), #3 Millersburg, a son Abe, Nov 9

Yoder, Jonas (Sarah), #3 Millersburg, a son Andy, Nov 4 Yoder, Raymond (Barbara Schlabach), #1 Dundee, a dau Laura, Nov

Yoder, Raymond M. (Katie Ann Mast), Baltic, a son Aden, Nov 9 Yoder, Uriah (Sevilla Miller), #1 Dundee, a son John, Nov 10

### Frederickstown, Ohio

Glick, Katieann Schrock), a dau Edna, Nov 3

### Adams County, Indiana

Eicher, Ben A. (Lydia Troyer), Berne, a dau Martha, Oct Eicher, Joe V. (Katherine R. Eicher), Geneva, a dau Ida, Nov 15 Hilty, Ervin R. (Ruthann Hilty), Berne, a son Mose, Nov 7 Schwartz, Dan B. (Verena Eicher), Geneva, a dau Verena, Nov 20 Schwartz, Daniel E. (Sovilla Weaver), Monroe, a son Christ, Nov 11 Schwartz, Enos L. (Elizabeth W. Schwartz), Monroe, a dau Emma, Nov 28

Schwartz, Joe M. (Leah L. Girod), Monroe, a son Menno, Nov Schwartz, Joe M. (Lydiann F. Schwartz), Monroe, a daulrma, Nov 18

Schwartz, Joe N. (Susan M. Girod), Monroe, a son Joe, Nov 19 Schwartz, Melvin A. (Salome E. Schwartz), Monroe, a son Samuel, Nov 18

Schwartz, Samuel E. (Edna Girod), Monroe, a son Samuel, Nov 6 Wickey, Menas A. (Susan N. Schwartz), Monroe, a dau Emma, Nov 13

### Allen County, Indiana

Eicher, William (Mary Schmucker) a dau. Clara Mae, Nov. 21 Gillingham, Kirley (Barbara Graber) a dau. Barbara Rose, June 11 Graber, Andy (Emma Schmucker) a dau. Delila Marie, Nov. 13 Graber, Benjamin (Marian Miller) a son Melvin, Nov. 22 Graber, Furman (Mary Graber) a son Matthew, Nov. 11 Hilty, Louis (Ruth Graber) a dau. Naomi, Nov. 24 Lengacher, Jacob (Lillian Schmucker) a dau. Ada Mae, Nov. 25 Lengacher, John (Rosa Lengacher) a dau. Mary Ann, Nov. 19 Schmucker, Thomas (Darlene Schmucker) a son Marlin, Nov. 27 Schwartz, Samuel (Viola Schwartz) a son Matthew, Oct. 24

### LaGrange County, Indiana

Beechy, Amos (Wilma Whetstone), LaGrange, a dau Loranna A., Nov

Bontrager, Amos (Elsie Miller), LaGrange #4, a dau Susie A., Nov 3 Bontrager, Harley (Katie Lehman), Millersburg #1, a son Dannie, Nov 10

Bowman, Dan (Polly Anna Miller), Shipshewana #1, a son Harvey D., Oct 30

Eash, William (Amelia Yoder), Topeka #2, a son LaMar Jay, Nov 14 Graber, Orva (Ida Petersheim), Shipshewana #1, a dau Norma O., Nov 5

Hershberger, Perry (Amanda Hershberger), Topeka #2, a son Leon Jay, Nov 21

Hochstedler, Levi (Katie Raber), LaGrange #5, a sonAlvin L., Oct 3

Hochstetler, William (Rosa Hochstetler), LaGrange #2

Miller, Wayne Lee (Mary Etta Bontrager), Middlebury #1, a dau Joann, Kay, Oct 26

Schrock, Daniel (Orphie Miller), LaGrange #1, Nov 22

Schrock, Marvin (Catherine Yoder), Wolcottville, a son Kenneth Dean, Oct 29

Smucker, Edward (Esther Raber), LaGrange #4, a son Ervin E., Nov 12

Yoder, John (Ruth Ann Miller), Topeka #2, a son Faron Dale, Nov 17 Yoder, Vernon (Katie Miller), LaGrange, a son Vernon, Nov 13

### Nappannee, Indiana

Borkholder, Delbert (Elsie Yoder) a son Lyle, Nov. 26

Borkholder, LeRoy (Sharon Hochstetler) Bourbon, a son**Gene Tobias**, Oct. 25

Helmuth, Steven (Ruth Mullet) Milford, a son Jason Robert, Nov. 9 Hochstetler, Lamar (Lizzie Yoder) a dau. Marlene Kay, Nov. 13 Hochstetler, Robert (Mary Etta Miller) Milford, a dau. Joanna Lynn, Nov. 11

Mullet, Benny (Mary Etta Weaver) Milford, a dau. Carol Evonne, Nov. 9

Mullet, Lyle (Alma Marie Schwartz) Nappanee, a dau. Connie, Oct. 21 Schwartz, Eldon (Ida Yoder) Etna Green, a son Gary Lee, Oct. 31

### Daviess County, Indiana

Eicher, Paul (Pauline Yoder), Loogoote, a son Paul Joseph, Nov 6 Graber, Joe L. Jr. (Darlene Graber), Odon, a dau Rosemary, Oct 31 Knepp, Harry (Laura Stoll), Montgomery, a dau Clara Mae, Nov 22 Knepp, Marvin (Alta Viola Lengacher), Loogootee, a dau Janet Sue, Oct 29

Wagler, Dewayne (Joan Graber), Odon, a son Marcus Leon, Nov 18
 Wagler, Edwin (Ida Mae Graber), Loogootee, a dau Linda, Nov 5
 Wagler, Elmer (Ruth Ann Knepp), Montgomery, a dau Martha Sue, Nov 4

Wagler, Leonard (Alta Marie Knepp), Montgomery, a dau Annetta, Oct 27

### Arthur, Illinois

Bontreger, Ervin (Mary Plank), a son David Lynn, Nov 4 Borkholder, John (Susan), a son Perry, Oct. 24 Gingerich, Paul (Carolyn Chupp), a son Leon, Oct 3 Helmuth, Andrew (Joanna Kauffman), a son David Lynn, Nov 18 Herschberger, Lonnie (Louise Herschberger), a dau Loretta Kay, Oct Jess, Omer (Susanna Gingerich), a son Leroy Eugene, Nov 18 Kaufman, Melvin (Lela Mast), a dau Christena, Nov 24 Mast, Alva (Alma Kaufman), a son John Andrew, Oct 31 Mast, Elva (Leona Gingerich), a son Olen, Oct 9 Miller, Jacob (Verna Viola Herschberger), a son Lamar Jay, Nov 3 Miller, Simon (Arlene Bontreger), a dau Linda, Oct 21 Plank, Norman (Erma Mae Schrock), a son Arlan Jay, Oct Schrock, Ervin (Amanda Miller), a son Reuben, Nov 2 Schlabach, Harley (Marietta Bontrager), a dau Rachel, Oct 18 Schrock, Lewis Ray (Oma Schrock), a son Michael Eli, Oct 17

### Ethridge, Tennessee

Byler, David N. (Susie Gingerich), a dau. Sarah, Nov 23 Gingerich, Mahlon H. (Lizzie Yoder), a son Andrew, Nov 23 Hostetler, Emanuel E. (Lizzie Stutzman), a dau Katie, Nov 26

Yoder, Oba (Betty Miller) a dau Anna, Oct 4

### Audrain County, Missouri

Bontrager, Clarence (Ella Shetler), Clark, a dau Miriam, Nov 21 Borntrager, Levi J. (Lena N. Gingerich), Madison, a son Eli, Nov 23 Gingerich, Jacob N. (Elizabeth Petersheim), Madison, a dau Susan, Nov 6

Miller, Clarence E. (Millie Petersheim), Clark, a dau Laura, Nov Miller, Joni T. (Lizzie Shetler), Clark, a son Eddie, Nov 7 Schwartz, Jake (Rachel Borntreger), Clark, a dau Amanda, Nov 19

### Jamesport, Missouri

Yoder, Daniel H. (Nancy Schrock), a son David Allen, Nov 9 Yoder, Vernon L. (Fannie Bontrager), a dau Leona, Nov 24

### Johnson County, Iowa

Bontrager, Vernon (Alta Hershberger), a dau Linda, Nov 2

### **Buchanan County**, Iowa

Beechy, Roy (Ada Nisly), Fairbank, a sonPerry, Oct 26 Bontrager, Floyd (Lizzie Kauffman), Fairbank, a dau, Nov 26 Kauffman, Sam (Rachel Yutzy), Fairbank, a dauWilma, Sept 25 Mast, Henry (Esther Yutzy), Fairbank, a sonRaymond, Oct 20 Yoder, Bis. Phillip (Caroline Schwartz), Fairbank, a dauMary, Nov 21

### Bloomfield, Iowa

Gingerich, Jerry (Lena Gingerich) a son Truman, Oct. 1

### Haven, Kansas

Miller, Eli W. (Katie Yoder) #2 Haven, a dau. Ada Mae, Nov. 20

### Kokomo, Indiana

Bontrager, Marvin (Lucy Kauffman) a son Vernon Leon, Dec. 1 Herschberger, Andy Jr. (Barbara Herschberger) a dau. Ellen, Dec.2

### Utica, Minnesota

Yoder, Alvin A. (Verba Shetler) a son Wilbur, Nov. 2

### Cashton, Wisconsin

Mast, Levi (Alma Schmucker) a dau. Miriam, Oct. 31 Miller, Melvin (Ada Bortreger) a dau. Mattie, Oct. 31 Miller, Chrissie (Anna Borntreger) a son Noah, Nov. 14

### Wilton, Wisconsin

Borntreger, Enos J. (Sarah Borntreger), a dauMary, Oct 5 Hochstetler, Joe (Miriam Hochstetler), a dauElizabeth, Nov 17

### Guthrie, Kentucky

Byler, Danny (Betty Kauffman), Guthrie #2, a dau Laura Kathryn, Oct 7

Lambright, Devon (Rebecca Swarey), Guthrie #2, a dau Laura Ruth, Oct 27

Peachey, David (Emma Miller), Guthrie #2, a son Joseph David, Oct 13

Schlabach, Paul (Linda Miller), Trenton #1, a dau Rachel Dawn, Oct 6

### Reading Michigan

Schwartz, Jake N. (Susanna K. Schwartz), Reading, a son Johnny, Nov 21

### Norwich, Ontario

Miller, Roman L. (Ella Miller), a son Levi, Nov 14

### Chesley, Ontario

Hershberger, Gideon J. (Elizabeth Yoder), a dau Anna, Nov 23

### Wingham, Ontario

Shetler, Joni (Mary Gingerich) a son Henry, Nov. 16

Sorry, these births were mislaid, we don't know the address. We'll correct it next month if someone can inform us where they are from.

Burkholder, Eli U. (Esther Troyer) a dau. Susie, Nov. 4 Mast, Ervin E. (Edna J. Yoder) a son Ivan, Nov. 1

### **BAPTISMS**

Lancaster County, Pennsylvania

Lower Pequea - Gap District by Daniel S. Fisher

Samuel, son of Elam and Arie (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus Amos, son of John and Nancy (Dienner) Stoltzfus David, son of David and Rebecca (King) Zook John, son of John and Nancy (Dienner) Stoltzfus John, son of Ephraim and Annie (Stoltzfus) Miller Betty, dau of Elam and Arie (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus Mary, son of Jacob and Lydia (Beiler) King Barbara, son of Jacob and Lydia (Beiler) King

### Adams County, Pennsylvania

November 9, by Bishop Aaron Y. Beiler, Bird-in-Hand, Pa. Steven B., son of Stephen B. and Edith (Byler) Fisher Menno S., son of Jonathan S. and Lydia (Swarey) Stoltzfus Jonathan F., son of Jonathan S. and Lydia (Swarey) Stoltzfus Stephen M., son of Moses S. and Elizabeth A. (Swarey) Stoltzfus Christopher B., son of Stephen B. and Edith (Byler) Fisher

Kokomo, Indiana

South District, by Bishop Joe Yoder, Shipshewana, Nov. 16 Elwin Eugene, son of Emery Glen Gingerichs, Kalona, Iowa

### Daviess County, Indiana

November 23, by Amos A. Graber
Darrell, son of Pete and Mary Kemp
David Lee, son of Pete Jr. and Sylvia Wagler
Vernon, son of Richard and Lydiann Wittmer
Lydia, daughter of Amos and Mildred Graber
Mary Ruth, daughter of Ben and Margaret Graber
Leah, daughter of John and Rosanna Wagler
Ruth, daughter of Harve and Lydia Knepp
Mary Jane, daughter of Amos and Margaret Knepp
Betty Jean, daughter of John Henry and Ida Mae Kemp
Christina, daughter of Noah and Emma Wagler

### Johnson County, Iowa

November 9, by Henry B. Miller Loren, son of Wallice Bontreger Ben Ray, son of Herman Gingerich Miriam, daughter of Emory Miller Melva, daughter of Minister Morris Miller

### Bloomfield, Iowa

By Bishop George Gingerich, September 21
William, son of Perry and Edna Yoder
Mervin, son of George and Emma (Yoder) Gingerich
Levi, son of Edward and Lizzie Mast
Floyd, son of Menno and Clara (Miller) Lambright
Daniel, son of Jacob and Abbie (Schlabach) Beachy
Ida Mae, daughter of Tobias and Anna (Mast) Herschberger
Viola, daughter of Vernon and Martha (Coblentz) Troyer
Ada, daughter of Henry D. and Anna (Yoder) Yoder

### Wingham, Ontario

By Bishop Dan D. Stutzman, September 14
Melvin, son of John and Martha (Stutzman) Shetler
Noah, son of Bishop Dan and Lizzie (Miller) Stutzman
Eli, son of Andy and Lizzie (Miller) Yoder
Henry, son of Noah and Amanda (Miller) Stutzman
Noah, son of Preacher Levi and Katie (Stutzman) Miller
Mary, daughter of John and Martha (Stutzman) Shetler
Ella, daughter of William and Mary (Shetler) Shetler

### Chesley, Ontario

September 28, by Sam Swartzentruber Eli, son of John N. and Carolina (Zook) Stutzman Levi, son of Levi L. and Mary (Hostetler), Shetler Ada, daughter of Joe A. and Mary (Shetler) Miller

### **MARRIAGES**

### Conewango Valley, New York

Miller, Byler - William, son of Eli E. and Ada (Miller) Miller to Frona, daughter of Dan N. and Lizzie (Yoder) Byler, Nov 18, by Dan Stutzman of Canada.

Miller, Swartzentruber - Andy, son of Joe E. and Mattie (Yoder) Miller to Edna, daughter of Joe and E. and Anna (Wengerd) Swartzentruber, Nov 20.

### Brush Valley [Centre County], Pennsylvania

Beiler, Stoltzfus - Amos, son of Henry F. and Anna (Kauffman) Beiler to Lydia, daughter of Christ K. and Rachel (Smucker) Stoltzfus, Nov 6, by Bishop Jacob M. Stoltzfus

### Lebanon County, Pennsylvania

Stoltzfus, Lapp - Reuben, son of Reuben G. and Fannie (Zook) Stoltzfus and Fannie, daughter of widow Annie Lapp, Nov 11, by Samuel K. Lapp.

### Montour County, Pennsylvania

Stoltzfus, Beiler - Samuel, son of Samuel K. and Mary (Miller) Stoltzfus to Rachel, daughter of Amos and Priscilla (Zook) Beiler, Nov 4, by David Rhiel.

Stoltzfus, Stoltzfus - David, son of Tobias and Fannie (Zook) Stoltzfus to Bertha, daughter of Samuel K. and Mary (Miller) Stoltzfus, Nov 6 by Henry Stoltzfus.

### Perry County, Pennsylvania

Zook, Stoltzfus - Christian, son of Abner and Rachel (Stoltzfus) Zook, Gap, Pa. to Fannie, daughter of Gideon and Sadie (Byler) Stoltzfus, November 13, by Bishop Jacob Stoltzfos of Maryland. This was the first Amish wedding in Perry County.

### St. Marvs County, Maryland

Hertzler, Swarey - Isaac Jr., son of Ike and Rebecca (Stoltzfus) Hertzler to Elizabeth, daughter of Pre. Levi I. and Annie (Stoltzfus) Swarey, Nov 4, by Bishop Jacob Stoltzfus.

Stoltzfus, Hertzler - Samuel, son of Pre. Levi S. and Mary (Stoltzfus to Nancy, daughter of Dea. Andy and Sarah (Stoltzfus) Hertzler, Nov 6, by Bishop Sam J. Stoltzfus.

### Juniata County, Pennsylvania

Troyer, Lapp - Aden E. Troyer, son of Eli M. and Sarah (Miller) Troyer and to Emma, daughter of Jacob M and Mary (Wengerd) Lapp, Nov 6, by Bishop Aden M. Troyer.

Kanegy, Petersheim - Menno, son of Sam R. and Ada (Wengerd) Kanegy to Katie, daughter of Bishop Tobe and Barbara (Yoder) Petersheim, Nov 27, by Bishop Tobe J. Petersheim.

### Mifflin County, Pennsylvania

Yoder, Wengerd - Noah, son of Samuel P. and the Late Rachel (Peachey) Yoder, Belleville, to Mattie, daughter of Eli and Mary (Zook) Wengerd by Daniel M. Peachey, Nov 4.

Yoder, Peachey - Amos, son of Dea. Amos and Molly (Byler) Yoder to Katie, daughter of Isreal B. and Katie (Peachey) Peachey by Daniel M. Peachey, Nov 11.

### Southern Mercer County, Pennsylvania

Hostetler, Byler - David Y., son of Mrs. Lydia Hostetler, McClure, to Lizzie M. Byler, daughter of John H. and Mary (Miller) Byler, Nov 18, by Andy M. Byler.

Byler, Byler - Dan U., son of Urie D. and Dena A. (Byler) Byler to Katie D., daughter of Dan U. and Sally J. (Byler) Byler, Nov 27, by Joe S. Byler Jr.

### Holmes County, Ohio

Yoder, Miller - David, son of Mike and Edna Miller to Bertha, daugther of Mike and Anna Yoder, Oct. 30, by Bishop Atlee E. Troyer

Yoder, Miller - David, son of Menno L. and Mary (Miller) Yoder to Fannie, daughter of John J. C. and Mattie (Stutzman) Miller, Nov 20, by Bishop Jacob Troyer.

Troyer, Barkman - Roy, son of Attlee and Ida (Miller) Troyer to Miriam, daughter of Alvin and Ada Mae (Hershberger) Barkman, in Dan J. D. Miller District, Nov 4.

Miller, Yoder - Widower Neal E. to Susie, daughter of Katieann (Raber) Yoder and the late Albert L. Yoder in Mose E.

Hershberger District, Nov. 20.

### Ashland County, Ohio

Hochstetler, Miller - Jonas, son of the late Martin and Ella (Keim) Hochstetler of Cashton, Wisconsin to Iva, daughter of John E. and Susie Miller, by Bishop Albert J. Keim, Nov 4.

### Allen County, Indiana

Schmucker, Zehr - John, son of John and Viola (Eicher) Schmucker to Lydiann, daughter of Pete and Mary Ann (Wittmer) Zehr, Nov. 30, by Bishop Christy Schmucker

### LaGrange County, Indiana

Herschberger, Bontrager - David, son of Ben and Lizzie (Miller) Herschberger to Arlene, daughter of William and Lettie (Eash) Bontrager, Nov. 27.

Miller, Lambright - Harlen, son of Elmer and Ida (Slabaugh) Miller to Ruby Fern, daughter of Homer and Fannie (Miller) Lambright, Nov. 22, by Glen Lambright.

Miller, Petersheim - Galen, son of Jonas and Mabel (Helmuth) Miller to Rosanna, daughter of Melvin and Ida (Hostetler) Petersheim, Nov. 27.

Mishler, Miller - Daniel, son of the late Henry and Mattie Lambright to Ella, daughter of Jonas and Ida Miller, Oct. 23, by John Nisley.

Lambright, Bontrager - Elmer, son of Levi and Ida (Miller) Lambright to Naomi, daughter of John and Mattie (Miller) Bontrager, Oct.

Wingard, Miller - John, son of the late Joe and Nora (Schrock) Wingard to Sara, daughter of Nathaniel and Mary (Miller) Miller, Oct. 30, by Calvin Lambright.

### Nappanee, Indiana

Schmucker, Borkholder - John, son of Earl and Mary (Miller) Schmucker and Donna, daughter of Owen and Dorothy (Bender) Borkholder, Nov 6, by Amos Lehman

Mast, Slabaugh - Richard, son of Felty Masts and Lovina, daughter of Raymond and Linda (Hochstetler) Slabaugh, Nov 5, by Lonnie Slabaugh

Miller, Miller - Dennis, son of Earl and Laura (Borkholder) Miller to Martha, daughter of Joe and Anna (Mullet) Miller, Nov 27, by Earl Miller.

### Daviess County, Indiana

Wagler, Graber - David, son of Howard and Fannie (Graber) Wagler to Rosena, daughter of Joe and Rachel (Stoll) Graber, Oct. 30 by Joe L. Graber.

Schwartz, Wagler - Menno Schwartz, Adams County, Indiana to widow Lydiann Wagler, Nov 20 by Levi H. Schwartz of Adams County, Indiana.

Wagler, Graber - Marvin, son of Cletus and Katie (Stoll) Wagler to Laura, daughter of Joe L. and Martha (Raber) Graber, Nov 27, by Joe L. Graber.

### Arthur, Illinois

Gingerich, Schlabach - Reuben, son of Morris Gingerichs to Nancy, daughter of Lewis Schlabach, Oct 15.

Miller, Stutzman - Homer, son of Levi H. Millers to Sovilla, daughter of John J. Stutzman.

Miller, Otto - Howard, son of Mrs. Sarah Miller, Goshen, Indiana, to Betty, daughter of Fred Ottos.

Schrock, Schrock - Raymond, son of Henry Schrocks to Dorothy, daughter of Ruben Schrocks, Oct 23.

Herschberger, Miller - Kenneth, son of Eli A. Herschbergers to Ruby, daughter of Eli A. Millers.

Chupp, Bontregers - Olen, son of Elvin Chupps to Lucy, daugiter of

Andy Bontregers, Nov 5.
Schlabach, Otto - Willard, son of Lewis Schlabachs to Alma Jane,

daughter of John E. Ottos, Nov 6. Chupp, Gingerich - Eli, son of Floyd Chupps to Leah, daughter of Ben W. Gingerichs, Nov 20.

### **Buchanan County, Iowa**

Bontrager, Helmuth - Menno, son of Pre. Simeon and Verna Bontrager and Miriam, daughter of Eli and Ada Helmuth, Sept 25.

Yoder, Eicher - Amos, son of Pre. Joe C. and Malinda Yoder to Betty, daughter of Amos and Edna Eicher, Middlebury, Indiana by

### Bloomfield, Iowa

Kauffman, Mast - Eldon, son of ---- Kauffman to Rosie, daughter of Edward and Lizzie Mast, Sept. 4, by Levi Mast of Indiana

Yutzy, Yoder - Roy, son of Gideon and Anna Yutzy to Lizzie Ellen, daughter of Perry and Edna Yoder, Nov. 20, by William Yoder of Indiana

### Huntingdon, Tennessee

Mast, Nissley - Eli, son of Bishop Samuel and Elizabeth (Otto) Mast to Sarah Ann, daughter of Preacher Amos L. and Lena (King) Nissley, Oct. 16, by Samuel Mast.

### Cashton, Wisconsin

Gingerich, Miller - Mose, son of Edwin Gingerichs to Rachel, daughter Levi A. Millers, Nov. 13, by Amos M. Borntreger.

Herschberger, Kauffman - Alvin, son of Chris Hershbergers to Emma, daughter of Chester Kauffmans, Nov. 18, by Menno M. Hershberger

Miller, Kauffman - Monroe, son of Gid Millers to Lizzie, daughter of Chester Kauffmans, Nov. 20, by John J. Schmucker.

### Steuben County, Indiana

Graber, Schwartz - Reuben, son of Levi and Rosa (Steury) Graber to Barbara, daughter of Rudy and Lizzie (Miller) Schwartz, Nov 27, by Levi Graber.

### Chesley, Ontario

Stutzman, Hershberger - Gideon, son of Noah N. and Lizzie (Hershberger) Stutzman to Lydia, daughter of Moses E. and Emma (Shetler) Hershberger, Oct 2, by Sam Swartzentruber.

Miller, Zook - Andrew, son of Joe A. and Mary (Shetler) Miller to Sarah, daughter of Dan J. Katie (Gingerich) Zook, Oct 16, by Sam Swartzentruber.

### **ORDINATIONS**

### Homesville, Ohio

Ivan S. Miller, 33, was ordained to the ministry out of a lot of 9 on Oct 10 in John J. Miller's District. His address is R1 Millersburg, Ohio 44654.

### Allen County, Indiana

James Schmucker, age 36, Grabill, son of Joseph and Lorene (Miller) Schmucker, was ordained minister, Nov. 2. He is married to Kathryn, daughter of deceased (Ben) and Emma (Schwartz) Wittmer.

### **MIGRATIONS**

Eldon Kauffmans, newly weds, moved from Bloomfield, Iowa, to Arthur, Illinois.

Samuel S. Yoders moved from Ethridge, Tennessee, to Pennsylvania, Nov. 24.

Amos J. Gingerich moved from Chesley, Ontario, Canada to Ethridge, Tennessee, Nov. 7.

Preacher Adin C. Millers have plans to move to Evansville,

Wisconsin in the near future. Nathan Brennemans have rented and moved on Mrs. Fannie

Millers farm on No. 1 Highway, north of Kalona. Perry Yoders moved on the Henry J. Yoder place, which his

father Jonas B. Yoder of Garnett, Kansas bought for him.

Henry J. Yoders moved to Florida.

Tobie and Emma Miller moved from Fairbank, Iowa to Clark, Missouri, September 30.

Felty and Betty Yoder moved from Hazleton, Iowa to Pawnee City, Nebraska, November.

Eli and Salina (Mast) Yoder moved from Jamesport, Missouri to

Dover, Delaware, Nov. 3. Melvin and Laura (Hostetler) Eashs moved from Jamesport,

Missouri to Shipshewana, Indiana, Nov. 19. Andy and Elizabeth Byler moved from Orleans, Indiana to

Pleasantville, Tennessee, Nov. 16. Roy Yutzys, newlyweds, moved from Bloomfield, Iowa to

Dixon, Missouri. George E. Yoders moved into our neighborhood from Bowling

Green, Missouri, Nov. 14.

### **OBITUARIES**

Beechy, William A., 77, R.2 Topeka, Ind.

died unexpectedly at his home, Thursday, October 30. He was born April 10, 1902, in LaGrange County and was a retired farmer. He was married in 1921, to Amanda Schrock, who preceded him in death February 15, 1929. His second marriage was to Norma Bontrager on March 6, 1930.

Surviving is his second wife, Norma and the following children. Five daughters, Mrs. Menno Yoder, Shipshewana; Mrs. John Miller, Sturgis, Mich.; Mrs. Amzie Miller and Mrs. Ora Weirich. both of Goshen and Mrs. Irvin Miller, Chouteau, Okla.; also four sons, Ammon, Shipshewana; Elva, Millersburg; Raymond, Reading, Mich.; William Jr., Oak Forest, Ill.; 57 grandchildren; 97 great-grandchildren and a brother, John, Topeka.

Funeral services were held Saturday, November 1, at 1 P. M in the Mahlon Cross Jr., residence, north of Topeka with Bishop Calvin T. Lambright and Bishop David Nissley officiating.

Burial was in Hawpatch Cemetery.

Byler, Emanuel V., 57, New Wilmington, R. 1, Pa.

died November 4, at Westfield, New York hospital where he was a patient for 2 days. He with his wife Mattie, daughter and husband Eli M. Troyers were visiting at the Mayville, New York area when he had a heart attack early Monday morning Nov. 3. He had been having some heart trouble for several years. Surviving are his wife Mattie Davis and 5 daughters and 1 son. Mary, married to David J. Byler; Nancy, married to Eli M. Troyer; Lizzie married to Andy J. L. Byler; Lena, married to Dan M. Troyer, all of New Wilmington area; Naomi, married to Mose B. Shetler, Mayville, New York; and Valentine; 26 grandchildren; his aged father and mother-in-law, Valentine K. Bylers, 3 brothers, Jonas married to Annie S. Kurtz; David married to Emma E. Kurtz; Abraham married to Sarah Lesline; 2 sisters Lena, married to Chris B. Kurtz; Mary married to Urie S. Yoder.

Funeral services were held on November 7, by Dan J. Mast in large house and by Joni F. Byler, Dewittville, New York, in small

Chupp, Mrs. Anna E., 71, Apple Creek, R.2 Ohio

died November 21, in her home following a long illness including several strokes. She was a daughter of the late Jacob C. and Katie Wengerd and lived most of her life in Wayne County. On December 21, 1944 she married Ezra J. Chupp, who died

September 28, 1965.

Surviving are 2 daughter and 2 sons, Mrs. Alfred (Katie) Stutzman, Apple Creek; Mrs. Atlee (Lydia Ann) Burkholder, of the home, Aden, #2 Burton, and Monroe, #2 Fredericksburg; six step-daughters and six step-sons, Mrs. Dan (Amanda) Troyer, #2 Fredericksburg; Mrs. Mel (Anna) Miller, Burton; Mrs. Mose A. (Mary) Miller, #1 Apple Creek; Mrs. Eli (Ida) Nisley, #1 Dundee; Miss Mattie Chupp, Sarasota, and Levi C., both of Florida, Mrs. Abe (Fannie) Yoder, Fredericktown, Ohio; Jacob E., #4 Millersburg; Dan E., Winesburg; Eli E., Hartville; John E., California and Ezra E., Akron. Four sister and nine brothers, Mrs. Dan (Lydia) Wengerd, #2 Fredericksburg; Mrs. Atlee (Susie) Byler, Randolph, N. Y., Mrs. Jacob (Mary) Swartz, Quincy, Mich., Mrs. Sam (Katie) Swartz, Fremont, Ind., Mose J. Wengerd, and Valentine J., #1 both Dundee, Simon and Jacob, #5 and Joe Wengerd, #4, all Millersburg, Christ and Ben Wengerd, #2 Apple Creek, Ezra Wengerd, Burton, 14 grandchildren. A brother preceded her in death.

Services were held Nov. 24, in the home, by Bishop Melvin Mullet.

Chupp, LaMar, Etna Green, Indiana

died at 5 o'clock Sunday morning, November 16, 1980, at his home, of a heart attack, age 37 years, 10 months and 14 days. He was born January 2, 1943, the son of Floyd and Mary Ann (Miller) Chupp. Married April 2, 1963 to Amanda Kuhns who survives and one daughter Diane, at home. Other survivors are his father and step mother, Floyd and Sovilla Chupp, Middlefield, Ohio. One step grandmother, Susan Chupp, Nappanee, also 4 brothers Elmer, Elkhart, John, Dan and William, of Nappanee, 5 sisters, Edna Chupp, Harrison, Ark., Mrs. Perry (Katie) Bontrager, Shipshe wana, Mrs. Melvin (Anna Mae) Stutzman, Mrs. Lee (Elvi Helmuth, Etna Green, and Mrs. Toby (Martha) Yoder, Goshe

also 2 step brothers and 5 step sisters, Middlefield, Ohio. One daughter Susan, his mother and one brother preceded him in death. Nine aunts and 3 uncles and many cousins also survive.

Funeral sevices were held at Melvin Stutzman on Wed. Nov. 19, by Wayne Helmuth, Levi Hershberger, Andover, Ohio and Amos Graber in the main part of the house. Melvin J. Yoder, Marvin Otto, Kokomo, and Walter Schwartz in basement. Pallbearers were Wm. E. Miller, Edwin Yoder, Omer Kaufman, Ernest Schwartz, Ivan Yoder and Jacob Beechy. The funeral was largely attended by friends and relatives.

Fisher, Christian M., 78, #1 Ronks, Penna. died Thursday, Nov. 27, after a lengthy illness. Born in Lampeter Township, son of the late Christian L. and Rachel (Stoltzfus) Fisher. He was a retired farmer and a member of the Old Order Amish.

He is survived by his wife, Emma B. Fisher, and the following children, Levi Z. and Susan, wife of John B. Stoltzfus, both of Kirkwood, R.1, Rachel, wife of John K. Stoltzfus, Christiana R.1, Jacob E. and Sarah, wife of Jacob Miller, both of Quarryville R.3, Christ F. and David F., both of Strasburg R.1, Henry F., Willow Street R.1, Samuel F. and Ammon F., both of Ronks .1 and Joseph M., York County, 86 grandchildren and 65 great-grandchildren. He is also survived by four sisters: Mrs. Rachel Beiler, Leola, Annie, wife of Elam Zook, Elverson R.1, Rebecca, wife of Aaron J. Stoltzfus, Gap R.1 and Melinda Fisher, Ronks R.1.

Funeral services were held at the home, Saturday, Nov. 29, at 9 o'clock, by Bishop Amos S. Lapp and Bishop Aaron Y. Beiler. Lied no. 266, was read by Bishop Ben Allgyer. Burial in Beilers Cemetery, Ronks. Lied no. 371 read by Bishop Jonas S. Lapp. Abshied by Bishop John M. Beiler. Pallbearers were Bishop Jacob M. Stoltzfus, Bishop John S. Glick, Bishop Enos M. Beiler, Bishop Enos Esh, Preacher Levi H. Fisher and Deacon Jake A. King.

Graber, Harvey, 67, R.2 Grabill, Indiana

died September 10, around 1:30 a.m. from a heart attack. They had been at his daughter, Verna for supper that evening.

Surviving are his wife Margaret, 5 sons, Martin, Enos, David and Harvey, all of Grabill and Louis, Ashley, 3 daughters, Verna Graber and Esther Schmucker, Grabill, and Leah Eicher, New Haven, 4 brothers, Joseph, Grabill, Jesse, New Haven, Louis and

Levi, both of Camden, Mich. and 3 sisters, Sylvia Schwartz, Grabill, Delila Eicher, New Haven, and Edna Miller, Quincy, Mich.

Funeral services were held by Noah Graber at home and in other house by Noah R. Schwartz, Berne, Inda. Burial in Amish Cemetery, Grabill.

Graber, Mrs. Margaret, 69, Montgomery, Indiana

died at her home, on Nov. 16, following an extended illness and was serious the last two weeks. She was born Nov. 12, 1911, daughter of Joseph and Barbara (Knepp) Raber. On Dec. 14, 1933 she married Joel Graber and he survives.

Also surviving are six daughters, Mrs. John (Elizabeth) Graber and Mrs. Joseph (Mary Margaret) Graber, Loogootee, Mrs. Henry (Pauline) Knepp, Odon, Louise, Anna Barbara and Rachel at home; five sons, Jerome, Odon, Joseph, Enos, Glen and Verlan Roy, Montgomery, and 33 grandchildren. Three sisters and six brothers, Mrs. Joe L. (Martha) Graber and Mrs. Ben (Ida) Wagler, Odon; Mrs. Amos (Mary) Graber, Henry, Alva, Jerome, Herbet and John Raber, all of Montgomery and William Raber, Elnora and her step mother Mrs. Fannie Raber.

Funeral services were held at 9 a. m., Nov. 18, at her home by Pete Yoder of Marshfield, Missouri and Christ Otto of Illinois. Burial in the Stoll Cemetery

Hershberger, Mrs. Dan N., 76, Apple Creek, Ohio died Wednesday, Oct. 29, in her home after a long illness. A member of the Old Order Amish, she was a daughter of the late

Mose J. and Katie Nisley.

Surviving in addition to her husband, whom she married Dec. 3, 1925, are four daughters and three sons, Mrs. Kenny (Katie) Rees, Mount Eaton, Mrs. Eli J. (Lydia) Hostetler, Turbotville, Pa., Mrs. Dale (Mary) Veon of Walker, W. Va., Anna Hershberger of the home, Noah, Dalton, John, Northfield, and Mose Dundee, a sister and two brothers, Mrs. Mattie Chupp, and Jerry N. Schlabach, Apple Creek, and Noah N. Schlabach, Plain City, a step sister, Mrs. Jacob S. Byler, New Wilmington, Pa. 31 grandchildren, 10

great-grandchildren. A son, a daughter, three sisters, three brothers and a step-sister are deceased.

Funeral services were held Saturday at 10 a. m. in the Hershberger residence with Bishop Atlee J. Troyer officiating. Burial was in Yoder Cemetery.

Hershberger, Jacob E., 42, Medina County, Ohio

died Nov. 1, of a heart attack. He had a heart ailment for the last three years. He was married about 11 months, to a daughter of Joe P. Yoder, form Chesley, Ontario. Besides the widow a baby boy services who was three days old at the time of his death.

The funeral was largely attended by friends and relatives from

Tennessee, Michigan, Minnesota, New York and Canada.

Kauffman, Alfred, 93, Middlebury, Indiana

was found dead at the home of his son Ben, 59489 C R 35, Middlebury, Indiana, on Oct. 10. His former wife Clara (Miller) Kauffman preceded him in death.

One daughter Katie, wife of Sam Plank, Goshen, and eight sons survive. Menno, Nappanee, George and Steve, Arthur, Ill., Jacob, Mich.; Harvey, Millersburg, David, Reford, Mont.; Joe, Goshen; and Ben.

Funeral services were held on Oct. 13, at the David L. Bontrager home. Joe A. Yoder, Enos Troyer and Abe Gingerich, Illinois officiated the services. Burial was in the Miller Cemetery.

Kauffman, David J., 92, Goshen, Ind.

died Tuesday, Oct. 28, in the home of his son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mr Amos (Gertie) Schwartz, Goshen. He was born in LaGrange County, July 14, 1888, and was retired farmer, and a lifetime area resident of Goshen area. He was married Dec. 29, 1910, to Mary Ann Weirick, who preceded him in death, January 30, 1972.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. John (Sovilla) Helmuth, Wolcottville, Mrs. Amos (Gertie) Schwartz, Goshen, three sons, Joseph D., Kalamazoo, Mich.; Daniel, Bullhead City, Ariz.; and Eli D., Angola; 13 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren. Two

daughters and a son preceded him in death.

Funeral services were held Friday at 9:30 a. m. in the Perry Whetstone residence, west of Shipshewana, with Bishop Perry Bontrager, the Rev. Levi Schrock and the Rev. Orvin Hooley officiating.

Burial was in the Naylor Cemetery.

Kinsinger, Orpha J., 11 mo., Somerset County, Pa.

died at her home, age 11 months, 26 days. Her death was due to heart problems and she also had a cold at the time. She died Nov. 26, born Nov. 30, 1979 and never was a healthy child.

She is survived by her parents, Joe and Martha (Beachy) Kinsinger and 3 sisters and 1 brother at home. Also 2

grandmothers survive.

The funeral services were held at the Summit Mills Old Order Amish Church on Nov. 29. Services were held by Preacher David D. Yoder and Pre. David Beachy. Joe's address is Meyersdale, Pa. RD1.

Knepp, Fred, 71, Montgomery, Ind.

died at his home on Nov. 17, suddenly of a heart attack, altho he had heart trouble for sometime. He was born April 14, 1909, son of Abraham and Anna (Brandenburger) Knepp. On Dec. 7, 1933 he married Fannie Wittmer and she survives.

Also surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Lester (Anna Catherine) Wittmer, Mrs. Lester K. (Ida Mae) Wagler and Mrs. Leonard (Alta Marie) Wagler, Montgomery, three sons, Harry W. and Martin Leroy, Montgomery and Wilmer W., Odon, and 40 grandchildren. One sister survives, Mrs. Dan (Lizzie) Swartzentruber, Loogootee. He was proceded in death by a daughter, Ellen a son Abraham, seven brothers and two sisters.

Funeral services were held at 9 a. m. Nov. 20, at his home by Victor Graber, Allen Co., and Pete Yoder, Marshfield, Mo. Burial in the Stoll Cemetery.

Lengacher, Dena, 61, #3, Grabill, Ind.

died Nov. 15, in a Kalamazoo, Mich. Hospital. They were visiting at a son, Joseph, Reading, Mich. when she took sick. She had a stroke and blood clot and open heart surgery. Only lived a few days after surgery.

Surviving are her husband, Victor, 3 other sons, James, #1 New Haven, Victor, #3 Grabill and David, at home, 4 daughters, Emma Graber, Quincy, Mich.. Marian Schmucker, #1 New Haven, Anna Marie Branderberger, Spencerville and Martha Steury, #3 Grabill, a brother, Joseph Delagrange, Norfolk, N. Y., and 4 sisters, Rosa Yoder, Colon, Mich. Margaret Graber, Quincy, Mich.; Esther Troyer, Pleasant Mills, Pa., and Ruby Schwartz, Chase Mills, N.

Funeral services were held by Tobe Yoder, Colon, Mich. in the home and by LaVern Steury in another house. Burial in Amish Cemetery, Grabill

Miller, Abraham, 85, and wife Fannie, 77, Wilmot

died Saturday night in Akron City Hospital, after a head-on collision Saturday afternoon in Wayne County claimed the lives of a Wilmot area couple and injured three others. Abraham was dead on arrival at Dunlap Memorial Hospital in Orrville and Mrs. Miller died Saturday night in Akron City Hospital. The Millers were born in Holmes County, Abraham was a son of the late Emanuel J. and Sarah (Schlabach) Miller and Fannie was a daughter of the late Michael J. and Barbara (Miller) Miller. Both lived most of their lives in Holmes County and were members of the Amish Church. they would have observed their 57th wedding anniversary, Dec. 9.

Surviving are four other daughters, Mrs. Moses (Ada) Beachy, Goshen, Mrs. Omar (Sara) Lapp and Miss Irma Miller, Gap, and Mrs. Aaron (Ida) Troyer, Crossville, Tenn., four sons, Abe Jr. and John M., #1 Dundee, Joe, Guthrie, Ky. and David H., #5

Millersburg, 40 grandchildren, 5 great-grandchildren.

Mr. Miller also is survived by three sisters, Mrs. Ida Miller, #4 Millersburg, Mrs. Andrew (Emma) Keim, #1 Beach City, and Mrs. John (Katie) Raber, #1 Wilmot, four brothers, John M. #3 Navarre, and Emanuel E., Jacob A. and Adrian, Sugarcreek. Two sisters and a brother are deceased.

Mrs. Miller also is survived by six sisters, Mrs. Elizabeth Gingerich, Hartville, Mrs. Ida Miller, Sugarcreek, Mrs. Menno (Verna) Miller, Sarasota, Fla., Mrs. William (Sylvia) Miller, Orange, Va., Mrs. John (Ada) Bontrager, Middlebury, Ind., and Mrs. Enos (Emma) Stoltzfus, Kensington, Ohio. Four brothers, Joseph and Daniel Miller, Middlebury, Lester of Utica, Ohio, and Milo, Sugarcreek. Two sisters and three brothers preceded her in death.

Joint services were held Tuesday, at 9 a. m. in the Ivan J. Miller residence with Bishop Jacob I. Mast officiating. Burial was in the Yoder Cemetery in Wayne Township in Tuscarawas County.

Miller, Albert S. #4 Millersburg, Ohio

died Monday morning Nov. 24. Born in Holmes County, a son of

the late Samuel J. and Lydia (Erb) Miller.

Survivers are his wife Lavina (Coblentz) Miller. Five daughters Mrs. Menno (Dena) Mullet, of Shipshewana, Indiana. Mrs. Wayne (Melva) Wengard of Wilmot, Mrs. Paul (Edna) Miller, Sugarcreek, Miriam and Esther, of the home. Two sons, Ervin, Dover, and Mose, Elkton, Md. Seven grandchildren, 8 step-grandchildren, 2 sisters, Mrs. Denah Yoder, Millersburg, Mrs. Em. (Lydiann) Miller, Shiloh, 1 brother, Mike Miller, Millersburg. Preceded in death by 2 sons, 2 sisters and 3 brothers.

Services were held Wed, at 9 a. m. in Abe A. C. Raber residence with Bishop Floyd Troyer officiating. Burial in Miller Cemetery,

Mechanic Township.

Miller, David M., 40, Beebe, Arkansas

died Oct. 8, after an accident while cutting logs. He was the son of Mose D. and Susie (Hochstetler) Miller, born on Feb. 8, 1949. He was married to Elizabeth Yutzy, daughter of John D. and Katie (Helmuth) Yutzy, Feb. 8, 1962. Lived in matrimony 18 years and 8 months. To this union were born 8 children, Leon 17, Susan 15, Raymond 14, David Perry 12, Katie 9, Ada 7, Mary 5, and Lydia 2.

Leaves to mourn his sudden departure, his wife, 3 sons and 5 daughters, father, 1 brother, 2 sisters and many other relatives and friends. His mother and 1 brother preceded him in death.

Funeral services were conducted by Bishop Eli Borntreger, Hazelton, Iowa and Bishop Ura I. Yoder, Bowling Green, Mo., in a shed on the home place, on September 11, at 9:00 a. m. Burial was in the Cheek Lake Community Cemetery, about one mile from the home. Pallbearers were Wayne Yoder, Rudy Borntrager, Eli Borntreger, and Jacob A. Troyer. More than 350 friends and relatives attended the funeral. Many local people also attended and brought in much food.

Miller, Harvey N., Middlebury, Ind.

died. He was a grandfather to Mervin and Orlan Miller and Mrs. Joe (Dorothy) Eigsti.

Schrock, Susan, 85, Sugarcreek, Ohio

died Wed. Nov. 12, in the home of her son, Levi N., #2 Sugarcreek, with whom she had resided the past five years. Born in Geauga County, she was a daughter of the late Noah J. and Mattie (Miller) Raber and a member of the Old Order Amish. Her husband, Noah C., died in 1945.

Surviving in addition to Levi are three other sons and five daughters, Albert N., #4 and Crist N. #5, both Millersburg, Noah N. and Mrs. Mattie Yoder, Uniontown, Mrs. Raymond (Mary) Coblentz, Freeport, Mrs. Susie Weaver and Mrs. Monroe A. (Clara) Yoder, Hartville and Mrs. Albert M. (Katie) Wagler, Cottage Grove, Tenn.; four brothers, Jacob N. Raber, #2 Fredericksburg, Valentine N. Raber, #1 Baltic, Mose N. Raber, #3 Millersburg, and Albert N. Raber, #2 Sugarcreek, 37 grandchildren, 16 great-grandchildren. A daughter and a brother are deceased.

Services were held Saturday at 9 a. m. in the Levi N. Schrock residence with Bishop Eli J. M. Miller officiating. Burial was in the Raber Cemetery, in Walnut Creek Township.

Stoltzfus, Benuel E, 77, Quarryville, #3

died at his home, Tuesday, Nov. 24, at 8:30 a. m. following a lengthy illness. He was born in Gordonville, the son of the late Amos M. and Barbara (Esh) Stoltzfus. He was married to Susie L. Fisher. A retired farmer, he was a member of the Old Order Amish Church and was a minister for 35 year since 1945.

Surviving in addition to his wife are eight children, Isaac F., Bart, Barbara F., wife of Enos K. King, Paradise #2, Amos F., Quarryville, #3, Mary F., wife of Enos S. Stoltzfus, Lancaster, Rebecca F., wife of Jonas F. King, and Emma F., wife of Jacob S. King, both of Gordonville, #1, 69 grandchildren, 30 great-grandchildren and a brother, Levi E. Stoltzfus, Bird-in-Hand, #1.

Funeral services were held at the home Friday, Nov. 28, at 9:00, by Pre. John S. Stoltzfus and Bishop John S. Glick, Lied read by Dea. David S. Esh. Burial in Georgetown Cemetery. Lied by Jacob Y. Beiler. Abshied by Pre. Amos S. Kauffman. Pallbearers were 4 grandchildren.

Stoltzfus, Ben M., 53, Honey Brook #1, Pa.

died at 5:10 a.m. Friday, Nov. 21, at his home after a 10 month illness. He was born in Honey Brook Township. The son of Rebecca (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus, and the late Benuel B. Stoltzfus. He was married to Barbara S. (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus.

His first wife, Mary S. (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus died in 1974. His second wife was first married to Jonathan B. Stoltzfus. He was

a member of the New Order Amish.

In addition to his wife and mother he is survived by two sons and a daughter, Levi S., Honey Brook #1, Jonas B., at home, Lena S., wife of Samuel S. Yoder, Mifflinburg, #1, a stepson, Stevie S., Honey Brook #3, three stepdaughters, Suvilla F., wife of Daniel U. Stoltzfus, Spring Mills #2, Esther Mae, wife of Wilmer E. Zook, Mifflinburg #1, and Sadie Ann, wife of Reuben K. Stoltzfus, Morgantown #1, 10 grandchildren, 22 step-grandchildren, three brothers, Samuel J., Honey Brook #1, Gideon S., Honey Brook #2, John O., Honey Brook #2, five sisters, Hannah, wife of Christ F. Glick, Gap #1, Malinda, wife of Jonas S. Stoltzfus, Honey Brook #1, Rachel, wife of Stephen U. Zook, New Holland #2, Rebecca, wife of Christ E. Stoltzfus, Narvon #1, and Lydia, wife of Ivan F. Zook, Elverson #1.

Funeral services were held at his late home, Honey Brook #1, on Monday, at 11 a. m. Burial in Stoltzfus.

Wengerd, Homer I., 79, Star Route, Millersburg, Ohio

died Monday in Pomerene Memorial Hospital after a brief illness. A retired farmer and a Holmes County resident for most of his life, he was a son of the late Isaac and Mary (Schmucker) Wengard and a member of the Old Order Amish. His wife, the former Cora Yoder, whom he married in 1928, died in 1979.

Survivors include two sons, Alvin H., Star Route, Millersburg, and Dan H., Port Washington, a sister, Mrs. Emanuel (Lizzie) Yoder, Fredericksburg, nine grandchildren. A daughter and two

brothers are deceased.

Services will be held Wednesday at 9 a. m. in the Ben D. Miller Residence on Rt. 93 north of Sugarcreek with Bishop Noah Coblentz officiating. Burial will be in Rob Yoder Cemetery in Sugar Creek Township, Tuscarawas County.

Yoder, Adam E., 88, Star Route, Millersburg, Ohio died Friday in his home after a long illness. Born near Charm, a son of the late Eli D. and Sara (Miller) Yoder, he was a retired

farmer and a member of the Old Order Amish.

Surviving are his wife of 65 years, the former Lydiann E. Kauffman, seven daughters, Mrs. Sam (Mary) Hershberger, Tionesta, Pa., Mrs. Melvin (Melinda) Yoder, and Mrs. Sam (Sara) Mast, #2 Fredericksburg, Mrs. Edna Yoder, and Mrs. Isaac (Fannie) Keim, #1 Apple Creek, Mrs. John (Anna) Miller, #5, Millersburg, sons, Dan A., Nappanee, Ind., Harry A., Kennedyville, Md., Eli A., #5 Millersburg, Adam Jr., #2 Fredericksburg, and Roman A., Wooster, a brother, Dan E. Yoder, #1 Apple Creek, 65 grandchildren, 145 great-grandchildren, 2 great-grandchildren, a step-grandchild, 3 step-great-grandchildren. A daughter, a grandchild, two great-grandchildren, two brothers and two sisters are deceased.

Services were held Monday at 9 a.m. at the John D. Miller residence east of Mount Hope with Bishop Levi J. Miller

officiating.

Yoder, Infant son, #2 Shipshewana, Indiana

was stillborn Thursday, November 6, in Goshen General

Hospital.

Surviving with the parents are a brother, James at home, and his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Freeman Yoder, Shipshewana and Mr. and Mrs. John Miller, Rexford, Mont.

Funeral services were held Fridady at 1 p. m. in the family home with Bishop Roy W. Miller officiating. Burial was in New Pennsylvania Cemetery.

Yoder, Mattie M., 72, Dover, Delaware

died Oct. 24, at her home in Dover, age 72 yr. 8 mo. and 9 da. Born in Middlefield, Ohio, Feb. 15, 1908, married to Jonas I.

Yoder, Feb. 16, 1928. Lived in matrimony 52 years.

Leaves to mourn her sudden departure are her husband, 7 sons and 2 daughters. Bishop Leroy married to Mary S. Byler, Bishop John married to Lovina E. Bontrager, Preacher Elmer married to Mary J. Stutzman, Marion, Ky., Lena, married to Abner J. Miller, Dan, married to Emma D. Beachy, Ammon, married to Lizzie D. Yoder, Noah married to Elizabeth A. Byler, Jonas Jr. married to Fannie D. Yoder, Marion, Ky., Lydia married to Simon Brenneman, 89 grandchildren, 40 great-grandchildren, 2 half brothers and 3 half sisters.

Funeral services were held at the home, Oct. 28, by Preacher Henry Detweiler and Bishop Andy H. Mast and in the other house Preacher Andy A. Mast and Bishop Benny Yoder, Pa.

Yutzy, Homer, Guthrie, Ky.

died Nov 20, 1980 from a massive heart attack. He was working alone in a back field and was not found right away. He was the son of Nicolas R. and Tina (Hochstetler) Yutzy. He was a farmer and a

member of the Amish Church at Stuarts Draft, Virginia.

Survivors include his wife, Ada Viola Yutzy, 2 sons, Ivan, Linneus, Missouri and Milo, Purdin, Missouri, 7 daughters, Mrs. Elmer (Erma) Byler and Mrs. Andrew (Leay) Byler, both of Linneur, Missouri, Mrs. Lester (Verna) Miller and Mrs. Stanley (Arlene) Schlabach, both of Cottage Grove, Tennessee, Laura, Plain City, Ohio; Bernice, Harrisonburg, Virginia and Mrs. David (Edna) Gingerich, Purdin, Missouri; 2 brothers, Eli and Andrew Yutzy, both of Plain City; 2 sisters Mrs. Robert (Ada) Kauffman, Plain City and Mrs. Benjamin J. (Mahala) Miller, Shreve, Ohio and 19 grandchildren.

Funeral services were held November 23rd at 9:30 in Guthrie

North District by Jesse Peachy and Richard Lambright.

The body was then taken to Plain City, Ohio where services were held in Caanan Beachy Church, Nov. 24, by Nelson Beachy and Milt Kinsinger.

Burial at Plain City.

Zook, Moses B., 69, Osceola Mill Rd., Gordonville, Pa.

died at home Friday, Nov 21, after following a lengthy illnes. He was a retired farmer and a member of the O. O. Amish Church. He was the son of the late Isreal S. and Annie K. (Beiler) Zook.

Surviving, besides his wife Sarah Blank Zook, are six sons and daughters: John B., Kinzer; Emanuel B., Gordonville; Katie, wife of Daniel J. Stoltzfus, Honey Brook R2; Amos B., Gap R1; Elam B., Bird-in-Hand, and Joseph B., Gordonville. Also surviving are 26 grandchildren; two great-grandchildren and a sister, Lydia, wife of Joseph Riehl, Gordonville.

Funeral services were held Monday, Nov 24 at 11:30 a. m. at his former home. Anfang by Isaac Blank and main sermon by Jonas Ebersol. Lied by Abram Beiler. Burial at Millwood Cemetery.

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### CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS

### Seneca Falls, New York - Mrs. Noah S. Byler

November started in with sunshine, sleet, rain, and a few snow flurries. The 3rd was real nice and sunshiny. The 4th and 5th was cloudy and rainy again. Temperature at 58 degrees on the 4th dropped to 38 degrees on the 5th. The 6th and 7th were real nice days, the 9th rainy, 10th blustery with snow squalls. The 11th to the 13th were cloudy and chilly. Temperature went up to the 50 degrees on the 13th and by the 17th it was down to 20 degrees and by the 18th we had up to about 7 inches of snow and still snowing and blowing in the forenoon. The 20th the temperature went up to 44 degrees again and snow melting fast. It was rainy all day, temperature at 44 degrees. The temperature on the 26th was 20 degrees again and some snow on the ground, the 27th a little milder and cloudy. The 28th and 29th rainy and a few snow flurries. The 30th it was cloudy all day.

During the month of October we had changeable weather. We had 5 2/10 of rain during October and the temperature ranged from 74 degrees on the 9th to 33 degrees on the 24th when we had our first killing frost. We also had snow flurries mixed with rain on the 13th. Crops are pretty near all gathered, which seemed to be better this year than last year. Still have some corn out.

### Centre County [Brush Valley], Pennsylvania - David B. Stoltzfus

Farmers were working on corn fodder during the first half of November, especially during the second week. On the 17th we got 8 inches of snow with the ground white for a week until the 24th when we had 1 3/4 inches of rain which finally improved the numerous failing springs on the mountains which furnish most of this area's water supplies.

### Nittany Valley [Centre County], Pennsylvania - Henry M. Glick

The first part of November we had nice fall weather. The 9th we had a hard thunderstorm. Then it blew off and got cooler. The 17th it started to snow around 3 o'clock and till the next morning had 8 inches on the ground. By the end of the month the snow was gone. Beautiful fall weather.

### Montour County, Pennsylvania - Amos K. Stoltzfus

We had a good bit of nice days in November. We had a few sprinklers in the beginning. On the 9th we had around half an inch of rain and on the 17th and 18th we had about 10 inches of snow. The ground was white for about a week. On the 24th it rained again and most of the snow melted. We had some rain again on the 27th and 28th. We had a few cold mornings with the temperature around 10 degrees. Some manure was hauled and some plowing done.

### Lebanon County, Pennsylvania - Levi S. King

Our first snow, about 3 or 4 inches came on November 17th and seemed to stick with us for about a week. Rainfal, for the month was about 3.2 inches, which helped some to strengthen the creeks, but the water level still seems to be low. Hauling manure and attending weddings seems to be about the answer if you ask a farmer what he is working. Now this week (December 1st) some said they would like to do some butchering.

### Bareville, Pennsylvania - Levi L. Stoltzfus

November 17 we had the first snow fall for the season from 1-2 inches. In some areas they were out of electric. The total rainfall for Bareville area was 3.5 inches.

Market report; choice to prime steers, \$72.00-\$75.85; feeder

steers, \$57.00-\$74.50 cwt.; fat hogs, \$48.00-\$51.00 cwt.; 40 lb. feeder pigs, \$70.00-\$110.00 cwt.; prime vealers, \$100.00-\$107.00 cwt.; dairy cows at New Holland \$630.00-\$1800.00; ear corn, \$100.00-\$150.00 ton; by the bushel, \$3.85; wheat, \$4.60 bushel; barley, \$2.50; oats, \$2.10 bushel; hay \$55.00-\$165.00 ton; straw, \$50.00-\$85.00 ton, corn fodder, \$39.00-\$57.00 ton; large eggs, .85 dozen; fowl light, .05-.10 lb.; heavy, .05-.25 lb.; pullets .44 lb.; roasters, .41-.50 lbs.; ducks, .65-.80 lb.; geese .35-.50 lb.; turkeys, .64 lb.; rabbits, .80 lb.; guineas, \$1.50 lb.; pigeons, \$2.25-\$4.00 pair; potatoes retail, \$11.00-\$12.00 cwt.; milk,

### Dover, Delaware - Neil N. Hershberger

November went down as a beautiful fall month. Excellent weather to finish late harvest and fall seeding. Total rainfall for the month was 2.4 inches. Temperature was a bit lower than average with a low of 20 degrees on the 20th and a high of 65 degrees on the 15th.

Truly we have much to be thankful for this Thanksgiving season All crops yielded good to excellent in field, orchard and garden.

### St. Mary's County, Maryland - Amos R. Stoltzfus

We had pretty mild weather so far this fall, a few cold and windy days on the November 10th and 11th. The 17th it turned cold with rain and sleet, 1.3 inches. The coldest for the month was 25 degrees on the 19th and 20th . Probably nearly 3 inches rain for November, a few snow flurries. Deer season opened November 29th.

### Perry County, Pennsylvania - Amos Stoltafus

We had about 2 inches of rain in November. Water level is still low. We also had about 3 inches of snow, enough to sled on. It made some happy children. The twentieth was coldest (17 degrees). Fodder is about all in. Weddings are in season now. The first Perry County Amish wedding is now. It was held at the Gideon Stoltzfus home.

### Southern Snyder County, Pennsylvania - Sam M. Troyer

The coldest we had was on the 17th when it was down to 20 degrees. We had around six inches of snow on the 18th. It rained about an inch on the 24th and we had two or three light rains so that we may have had as much as two inches altogether. The ground water is building up again so that a certain spring began running again. The snow is all gone again, soaked into the ground.

### Juniata County, Pennsylvania - David Y. Renno

The weather was rather cool and dry. We had 5 inches of rain in all, which came on 2 days. Our first snow of 3 inches snow and sleet came on the 17th, which laid a few days. We have not had any very warm or very cold weather all month. Some fall plowing was done and cattle were out all month.

Our water tables are still very low and some towns in eastern Pennsylvania are rationing water and asking their residents to flush toilets less often than usual and not let much unused water run down the drains.

### Mifflin County, Pennsylvania - Catherine Swarey

November was a rather cloudy month. The last two weeks drizzly, sunny on the 22nd and 26th. On the 24th we had an all day rain, 1.5 to 2 inches, with .6 earlier in the month. On the 17th we had a beautiful snow, it started in mid afternoon and snowed fast and beautiful, 4 to 6 inches till evening, then it rained some. Also snow flurries on Thanksgiving Day and Friday and Saturday following.

Still some fodder out, petunia and snapdragons still not frozen. November was bear season. a very foggy, drizzly day. No bear shot in our area.

The lowest temperature for the month was 12 degrees. The last day of the month was a beautiful sunny day, it warmed up a good bit.

### Adams County [Gettysburg], Penna. - Elizabeth A. Stoltzfus

Our coldest mornings for the month of November were on the 20th and 21st when it was in the lower twenties. The morning of the 8th it was 56 degrees. The eve of the 17th it started to rain and sleet and continued all night. The next morning everything was covered with ice. How beautiful it looked, when the sun shone. But it was hard on trees. Limbs collasped and fell on electric lines. Our English neighbors had no electricity for awhile. We had an all day rain on the 24th. Small grain fields are green or are getting

greener. This is the first day of buck season. There is a lot of shooting being done this morning.

### Somerset County, Meyersdale, Penna. - Mary A. Kinsinger

This November had variations in weather. The 1st 8 days were quite nice and fall like. On the 9th it rained quite heavy and also thundered some. We had snow flurries but no accumulation on the 10 and 11th.

On the 17th and 18th we had some snow, about an inch or so with trees and all covered with ice yet. It was very nice as far as scenery was concerned. This last week was cloudy with rain and snow. On Thursday and Friday we had some snow flurries. Yesterday was really blustry all day. We have around 6 inches of snow. The coldest was 20 degrees on the 26th.

I suppose the deer hunters are all happy for the snow although it went fast today already.

### Crawford County, Pennsylvania - Mrs. Menno Fisher

November was a mixture of weather, rain, sleet, snow and a lot of cloudy days. Total rainfall was 3.7 inches, total snowfall was 17.1 inches. Highest temperature was 63 degrees and the lowest was 13 degrees.

Among the non Amish tractor farmers there are still fields of corn not picked, the ground is too wet for heavy equipment. There is a lot of building going on in our community. Additions to barn, pole sheds, etc. Men are also cutting firewood.

### Oakland, Maryland - Mrs. Atlee Hershberger

We had very nice fall days in October till the last part we had a few days cold. Then November 16th we had a beautiful snow clinging to trees, bushes, and twigs. The 17th it rained making a hard icy crust and the 18th it snowed a little on top which stayed quite awhile. The 24th it rained again which took most of the ice and snow.

### Mercer County, Pennsylvania - Dan J. Troyer

The coldest morning in November was 17 degrees on the 26th, the warmest was 48 degrees on the 14th. It was mostly in the low 30's or high 20's. We had about 3/10 inch of rain the 8th and 9th.

It drizzled all day the 14th. The 17th it started snowing which amounted to about 3 inches.

On the 24th it was rainy all day. The 27th, 28th, and 29th it snowed about 4 inches. The 30th it warmed up in the 40's and the snow nearly all melted.

### Southern Mercer County, Penna. - Mrs. Eli H. Kurtz

We had about as many sunshine days as cloudy days in November. Had 4 rainy days and 5 days with snow flurries. Lowest temperature was 22 on the 20th and 26th, highest daytime temperature was 66 on the 9th. Beef prices were from \$2.00 to \$3.00 higher from \$40.00 to \$67.00 per hundred pound. Calves from \$50.00 to \$95.00 per hundred, fat hogs from \$.75 to \$7.25 lower ranging from \$33.00 to \$47.80 per hundred. Feeder pigs were mostly \$5.00 per hundred lower. Had a total of 1,255 head on last feeder sale with prices from \$35.00 to \$82.00 per hundred.

### Eastern Holmes County, Ohio - Raymond S. Weaver

First half of November was warm and pleasant here in our area. Cooler weather set in around the middle of the month. Ground was covered with snow several times but usually lasted only a few days. More fall plowing was done than usual for our area.

### Holmes County, Ohio - Mrs. John H. Yoder

The weather for November was pretty much on the dry side. Some springs were low in water. Wheat is coming good. Quite a bit of plowing had been done. The temperature was a low of 17 degrees. We had 4 inches snow on the 17th which soon melted and on the 27th it was raining and snowing and by evening it was all gone.

The oil well drillers are very busy through this community.

### Western Holmes County, Ohio - Monroe A. Weaver

October and November weather was nearly perfect to harvest corn and get ready for winter. Just enough moisture to start off the wheat. On November 17th we had 3 inches of snow, roads were real slippery. Then it got nice again. Had an inch of snow on Thanksgiving morning and 2 inches this morning, November 29.

Milk prices have increased a little to keep up with inflation. Hogs were up to \$52.50 in October. From \$47.00 to \$50.00 in

November are expected to go over \$50.00 in December. Cattle are study. Hol heifer calves sell high, top at Mt. Hope was \$220.00

### South Eastern Holmes County, Ohio - John L. Yoder

We had continued nice weather along with a few showers and some snow that was of short duration, still some cattle on pasture. Coldest was around lower 20's. Corn all husked. Some folder to shred yet, a few lucky. Bow hunters and farm sales have started, with dairy cattle and horses bringing good prices. Hogs about same, pigs a little better.

### Western Tuscarawas County, Ohio - Jonas N. Borntrager

Farmers have the crops all in and some have started plowing. Some live stock still out on pasture. Milk cows are mostly in the

Weather has been wonderful. We had a bit of snow on the 17th and also on Thanksgiving Day, also some scattered showers. More rain would be needed to boost the springs a bit before winter. The springs seem to be a bit low.

November 30, 3 inches of snow and still snowing.

Fat hogs are just below \$.50. Holstein heifers and milk cows are high. Also good draft horses.

### Ashland County, Ohio - Ammon A. Troyer

We had quite a bit of snow on the 17th which lasted a week, then we had some rain and warmer weather again, then got several inches of snow again on the 27th and 28th, but is about all gone again by December 1st. Deer season opens today with 46 degrees temperature and windy.

### Branch County, Michigan - Mrs. Noah N. Schwartz

November was an exceptionally sunny warm month. Had lots of hard frosts but always warmed up during the day. Had rain on the 3rd, 23rd and 24th. Thanksgiving morning it started snowing and blowing from the east. We had more snow on the days after that.

### LaGrange County, Indiana - Miss Anna Eash

We had a cool, somewhat cloudy November weatherwise. But also nice days. Some (or most) have finished corn husking which was a fair crop.

Again trees are bare, leaves are raked and bulbs are taking

their winter nap.

We had some rain on November 23 and was warmer. On Thanksgiving morning things were coated with a wet clingy snow. It continued throughout the day and we had no sunshine. It is still snowing and is slushy and wet.

### Nappanee, Edna Green, Indiana - Mrs. Menno Schwartz

November 28th, a real winter snow on the ground on Thanksgiving Day.

### Daviess County, Indian - Elizabeth Mae Raber

The first part of November was nice with warm days and cool nights, had some days that the temperature was in 70's with a high of 73 degrees on the 7th. On the 28th was a cold and windy day with the temperature a little above freezing and some snow flurries but melted and didn't stay on ground. We had a little over 2 inches of rain for the month and a low of 24 degrees on the 19th, 20th and 25th.

### Allen County, Indiana - Mrs. John Schmucker

The weather for November varied quite a lot. Had some very nice days and also some pretty cold days. The warmest was 60 degrees on the 7th and the coldest of 22 degrees on the 11th. On Thanksgiving it snowed from 2-4 inches. Also thundered and lightning. Snow flurries on the 29th, but they didn't last very long.

### Kokomo, Indiana - Mrs. Ivan J. Gingerich

November has been another month of beautiful fall weather. We had rain around the middle of the month with some cloudy days following but after that we had more days of sunshine. We had more windy days in November but the coldest was 20 degrees. The crops are all gathered and lots of fall plowing was done.

### Lovington, Illinois - Henry R. Yoder

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The month of November brought more sunshine than average with temperature slightly above average. The coldest for the month was 20 degrees, frost on all Sunday mornings, including October, but two which were cloudy.

Rainfall is much below average for November. Drainage channels are mostly dry and were low for well over a year. However enough rainfall for vegetation, the ground was exceptionally good for all plowing saving for a few fields of summer pasture were rather dry to plow.

Cattle market hasn't changed much and the demand for feeder calves is good however. Feeder pigs the same with hogs also about

steady from October.

Grain markets have moved up the corn for December Delivery is around \$3.41 per bushel. Soybeans \$8.80 to up and down, up the limit at one time and down the limit by another time. Wheat is also on the uptrend.

A 6 inch snow on 27th and also snow on 28th, with temperature

around 30 degrees.

### Guthrie, Kentucky - Jesse D. Peachey

We've had a very nice fall, with clear sunny days most of time. Ample rainfall has reviewed pastures and wheat is off to a good start. Our coldest was about 28 degrees. Had a few snow flurries on the 27th, but didn't stay. Farmers are cutting wood and hauling manure, also some building going on.

Beans, \$8.70, corn \$3.80.

### Huntingdon, Tennessee - Amos J. Bontrager

We had a nice October, with several rainy days. The coldest was 31 degrees on the 13th and the warmest was 85 degrees on the 10th. Corn crop was pretty fair, for as dry as it was. Some places it was a poor crop, depending on soil and planting time. Honey was a fair yeild, although not as good as last year.

### Ethridge, Tennessee - Mrs. Moses J. Gingerich

November was a very nice month, cold enough a few times to

see a little snow in the air.

Tobacco stripping is on the go which are not finished yet. Also the slauder houses are busy the last week or so. The neighbors are busy helping Brother Amos with his building a shop. They want to live in it for the time being. Their box car from Canada came yesterday with their buildings. So activity today will be unloading their car also a frolic to put their building under roof.

### Lobelville [Perry County], Tennessee - Ruth J. Miller

November was a real pleasant month and changable at times.

Around the 1st to the 14th the temperature was around 63 to 70 degrees during the day. From then on to the 27th it stayed around 32 degrees then from there it went down to 28 degrees and stayed cool for the rest of the month.

Butchering is in the process now. And it seems everyone is glad

when that job is over with, as there's a lot of work to it.

### Reno County [Haven], Kansas - Mrs. E. E. Schrock

Milo was a good crop this fall. A lot of alfalfa was put up this summer and fall. Silos filled, all ready for winter now. It's dry and we could use a good rain, wheat fields look nice and people are beginning to pasture the wheat. Nearly all leaves are off the trees and racked up and either burned or hauled off. Had temperatures from 11 to 87 degrees throughout the month of November.

### Audrian County, Missouri - Samuel D. Beachy

November was a very nice month. We had several nice rains, keeping the top soil in good shape to plow and for wheat, etc. But hardly enough to run off that it filled the ponds, they are still low, with the smaller ponds dried up. Our 1st snow fell on Thanksgiving morning, a wet snow, that stayed all day. Most of the corn is husked what was still left after silo filling, yielding from 30 to 50 bushels, for the Amish, but tractor farmers most of them, not that good, but the beans turn out not bad. Hay is becoming very high, a lot being trucked in from Iowa and the river bottom.

### LaPlata, Missouri - Mrs. Mose M. Borntreger

The first 10 days of November were really nice, we had some 70 degrees weather. On the 11th it was gray skies, cleared off the next day but turned colder. By the evening of the 13th we had rain and a little snow the next morning. Since then its been rather chilly. Temperature in the morning in the 20 degrees or close. On Thanksgiving morning we woke up to a nice clean layer of snow. Snowed some during the day. Not too much left by Friday evening, but looks like it could turn colder again with the wind from the northwest.

Quite a few got their deer this season. John Yoder, Joe. Perry

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### Three Days To See

By Helen Keller

Submitted by Anna Buckwalter, Ronks, Pa.

I have often thought it would be a blessing if each human being were stricken blind and deaf for a few days at some time during his early adult life. Darkness would make him more appreciative of sight; silence

would teach him the joys of sound.

Now and then I have tested my seeing friends to discover what they see. Recently I was visited by a very good friend who had just returned from a long walk in the woods, and I asked her what she had observed. "Nothing in particular," she replied. I might have been incredulous had I not been accustomed to such responses, for long ago I became convinced that the

seeing see little.

How was it possible, I asked myself, to walk for an hour through the woods and see nothing worthy of note? I who cannot see find hundreds of things to interest me through mere touch. I feel the delicate symmetry of a leaf. I pass my hands lovingly about the smooth skin of a silver birch, or the rough, shaggy bark of a pine. In spring I touch the branches of trees hopefully in search of a bud, the first sigh of awakening Nature after her winter's sleep. I feel the delightful, velvety texture of a flower, and discover its remarkable convolutions; and something of the miracle of Nature is revealed to me. Occasionally, if I am very fortunate, I place my hand gently on a small tree and feel the happy quiver of a bird in full song. I am delighted to have the cool waters of a brook rush through my open fingers. To me a lush carpet of pine needles or spongy grass is more welcome than the most luxurios Persian rug. To me the pageant of seasons is a thrilling and unending drama, the action of which streams through my finger

At times my heart cries out with longing to see all these things. If I can get so much pleasure from mere touch, how much more beauty must be revealed by sight. Yet, those who have eyes apparently see little. The panorama of color and action which fills the world

is taken for granted.

Perhaps I can best illustrate by imagining what I should most like to see if I were given the use of my eyes, say, for just three days. And while I am imagining, suppose you, too, set your mind to work on the problem of how you would use your own eyes if you had only three days to see. If with the oncoming darkness of the third night you knew that the sun would never rise for you again, how would you spend those three-precious intervening days? What would you most want to let your gaze rest upon?

I, naturally, should want most to see the things which have become dear to me through my years of darkness. You, too, would want to let your eyes rest long on the things that have become dear to you so that you could take the memory of them with you into the night that

loomed before you.

If, by some miracle, I were granted three seeing days, to be followed by a relapse into darkness, I should

divide the period into three parts.

On the first day, I should want to see the people whose kindness and gentleness and companionship have made my life worth living. First I should like to gaze long upon the face of my dear teacher, Mrs. Anne Sullivan Macy, who came to me when I was a child and

opened the outer world to me. I should want not merely to see the outline of her face, so that I could cherish it in my memory, but to study that face and find in it the living evidence of the sympathetic tenderness and patience with which she accomplished the difficult task of my education.

I do not know what it is to see into the heart of a friend through that 'window of the soul,' the eye. I can only 'see' through my finger tips the outline of a face. I can detect laughter, sorrow, and many other obvious emotions. I know my friends from the feel of their faces. But I cannot really picture their personalities by touch. I know their personalities, of course, through other means, through the thoughts they express to me, through whatever of their actions are revealed to me. But I am denied that deeper understanding of them which I am sure would come through sight of them, through watching their reactions to various expressed thoughts and circumstances, through noting the immediate and fleeting reactions of their eyes and countenance.

How much easier, how much more satisfying it is for you who can see to grasp quickly the essential qualities of another person by watching the subtletics of expression, the quiver of a muscle, the flutter of a hand. But does it ever occur to you to use your sight to see into the inner nature of a friend or acquaintance? Do not most of you seeing people grasp casually the outward features of a face and let it go at that?

For instance, can you describe accurately the faces of five good friends? Some of you can, but many cannot. As an experiment, I have questioned husbands of long standing about the color of their wive's eyes, and often they express embarrassed confusion and admit they do not know. And, incidentally, it is a chronic complaint of wives that their husbands do not notice new dresses, new hats, and changes in household arrangements.

Oh, the things that I should see if I had the power of

sight for just three days!

The first day would be a busy one. I should call to me all my dear friends and look long into their faces, imprinting upon my mind the outward evidences of the beauty that is within them. I should let my eyes rest, too, on the face of a baby, so that I could catch a vision of the eager, innocent beauty which precedes the individual's consciousness of the conflicts which life develops.

On that busy first day I should also view the small simple things of my home. I want to see the warm colors in the rugs under my feet, the pictures on the walls, the intimate trifles that transform a house into

home

In the afternoon of that first seeing day, I should take a long walk in the woods and intoxicate my eyes on the beauties of the world of Nature, trying desperately to absorb in a few hours the vast splendor which is constantly unfolding itself to those who can see. And I should pray for the glory of a colorful sunset.

When dusk had fallen, I should experience the double delight of being able to see by artificial light, which the genius of man has created to extend the power of his sight when Nature decrees darkness.

In the night of that first day of sight, I should not be able to sleep, so full would be my mind of the memories of the day.

The next day — the second day of sight — I should arise with the dawn and see the thrilling miracle by which night is transformed into day. I should behold with awe the magnificent panorama of light with which the sun awakens the sleeping earth.

My next stop would be the Metropolitan Museum of Art. Throughout the history of humanity the urge to artistic expression has been almost as powerful as the urge for food, shelter and procreation. And here, in the vast chambers of the Metropolitan Museum, is unfolded before me the spirit of egypt, Greece, and Rome, as expressed in their art. I know well through my hands the sculptured gods and goddesses of the ancient Nileland. I have felt copies of Parthenon friezes, and I have sensed the rhythmic beauty of charging Athenian warriors. Apollos and Venuses and the Winged Victory of Samothrace are friends of my finger tips. The gnarled features of Homer are dear to me, for he, too, knew blindness.

So on this, my second day of sight, I should try to probe into the soul of man through his art. The things I knew through touch I should now see. More splendid still, the whole magnificent world of painting would be opened to me, from the Italian Primitives, with their serene religious devotion, to the Moderns, with their feverish visions. I should look deep into the canvases of Raphael, Leonardo da Vinci, Titian, Rembrandt. I should want to feast my eyes upon the warm colors of Veronese, study the mysteries of El Greco, catch a new vision of Nature from Corot. Oh, there is so much rich meaning and beauty in the art of the ages for you who have eyes to see!

Upon my short visit to this temple of art I should not be able to review a fraction of that great world of art which is open to you. I should be able to get only a superficial impression. Artists tell me that for a deep and true appreciation of art one must educate the eye. One must learn through experience to weigh the merits of line, of composition, of form and color. If I had eyes, how happily would I embark upon so fascinating a study! Yet I am told that, to many of you who have eyes to see, the world of art is a dark night, unexplored and unilluminated.

It would be with extreme reluctance that I should leave the Metropolitan Museum, which contains the key to beauty — a beauty so neglected. Seeing persons however, do not need a Metropolitan to find this key to beauty. The same key lies waiting in smaller museums, and in books on the shelves of even small libraries. But naturally, in my limited time of imaginary sight, I should choose the place where the key unlocks the greatest treasures in the shortest time.

I cannot enjoy the beauty of rhythmic movement except in a sphere restricted to the touch of my hands. I can vision only dimly the grace of Pavlova, although I know something of the delight of rhythm, for often I can sense the best of music as it vibrates through the floor. I can well imagine that cadenced motion must be one of the most pleasing sights in the world. I have been able to gather something of this by tracing with my fingers the lines in sculptured marble; if this static grace can be so lovely, how much more acute must be the thrill of seeing grace in motion.

One of my dearest memories is the time when Joseph Jefferson allowed me to touch his face and hands as he went through some of the gestures and speeches of his beloved Rip Van Winkle. I was able to catch thus a meagre glimpse of the world of drama, and I shall never forget the delight of that moment. If I could see only one play, I should know how to picture in my mind the action of a hundred plays which I have read or had transferred to me through the medium of the manual alphabet.

The following morning, I should again greet the dawn, anxious to discover new delights, for I am sure

that, for those who have eyes which really see, the dawn of each day must be a perpetually new revelation of beauty.

Today I shall spent in the workaday world of the present, amid the haunts of men going about the business of life. And where can one find so many activites and conditions of men as in New York? So the city becomes my destination.

I start from my home in the quiet little suburb of Forest Hills, Long Island. Here, surrounded by green lawns, trees, and flowers, are neat little houses, happy with the voices and movements of wives and children, havens of peaceful rest for men who toil in the city. I drive across the lacy structure of steel which spans the East River, and I get a new and startling vision of the power—and ingenuity of the mind of man. Busy boats chug and scurry about the river — racy speed boats, stolid, snorting tugs. If I have long days of sight ahead, I should spend many of them watching the delightful activity upon the river.

I look ahead, and before me rise the fantastic towers of a city that seems to have stepped from the pages of a fairy story. I hurry to the top of one of those gigantic structures, the Empire State Building, for there, a short time ago, I 'saw' the city below through the eyes of my secretary. I am anxious to compare my fancy with reality

Now I begin my rounds of the city. First, I stand at a busy corner, merely looking at people, trying by sight of them to understand something of their lives. I see smiles, and I am happy. I see serious determination, and I am proud. I see suffering, and I am compassionate.

I stroll down Fifth Avenue. I am certain that the colors of women's dresses moving in a throng must be a gorgeous spectacle of which I should never tire. And I am convinced, too, that I should become an inveterate window shopper, for it must be a delight to the eye to view the myraid articles of beauty on display.

From Fifth Avenue I make a tour of the city — to Park Avenue, to the slums, to factories, to parks where children play. Some sights are pleasant, filling the heart with happiness; but some are miserably pathetic. To these latter I do not shut my eyes, for they, too, are part of life.

My third day of sight is drawing to an end. Perhaps there are many serious pursuits to which I should devote the few remaining hours, but I am afraid that on the evening of that last day I should again run away to the theatre, to a hilariously funny play, so that I might appreciate the overtones of comedy in the human spirit.

I who am blind can give one hint to those who see: use your eyes as if tomorrow you would be stricken blind. And the same method can be applied to the other senses. Hear the music of voices, the song of a bird, the might strains of an orchestra, as if you would be stricken deaf tomorrow. Touch each object you want to touch as if tomorrow your tactile sence would fail. Smell the perfume of flowers, tast with relish each morsel, as if tomorrow you could never smell and taste again. Make the most of every sense; glory in all the facets of pleasure and beauty.

### Election Time of Yore

By Joseph Gallagher, Lancaster, Penna

July, 1980

With the approach of another presidential election campaign coming up this Fall, it could be of interest to reflect upon those of an earlier period, especially in the days of Teddy Roosevelt and Williams Jennings Bryan with his "free silver" program, rather than the long established national gold standard system government -wise. In his day, he kept pace with a later Republican candidate, Harold Stassen, in the number of each opted to be the successful candidate to be elected to the presidency of the United States. However, Mr. Bryan was never able to muster sufficient political strength to achieve that end. On the other hand, Theodore Roosevelt did succeed in becoming president, following the assasination of President McKinley, and later on was elected to succeed himself in the office of president. In 1912. However, he felt so strongly that he was cheated out of the nomination by Republican Party maneuvering at the Chicago Convention and was so angered by it that he originated and became the candidate of the newly organized Bull Moose Party and campaigned vigorioulsy throughout the country.

When he visited Lancaster County in his speechmaking appearances he had a local Amish farmer, Ezra Stoltfus, of Gap, PA, R.1, travel with him and whose farm was close to the Umbletown Rd. The writer saw them together when Teddy spoke from the Chestnut Street balcony of the Brunswick Hotel in Lancaster where the old Pennsylvania Railroad Station foreground at North Queen and Chestnut Streets was crowded with people from that point clear back to the steps, leading to the Duke Street Bridge, and was given

a nice reception here.

Referring to the two perennial presidential candidates who so often campaigned and, in fairness to them, prevailing conditions in the nation at times may have played a minor part in the failures to reach the "top" rather than personality or other unpopular reasons.

Quite likely a political campaign trick was developed and used in rallies in eastern Pennsylvania prior to an election, particularly in Lancaster County gatherings whereby political leaders would evidently use available funds to purchase white suits (coats and trousers) to be worn by members of marching clubs in their pre-election meetings held in the towns of the community, usually accompanied with music of sorts to liven up the occasion, as well as speakers to drum up party support for the various candidates. These rallying groups would swing into action several weeks before Election Day and either a favorable effect or otherwise an occasion. Invaribly the town hotel would become the center of operations, speeches, music, etc., as well it was said, that "free beer" was also a reward for the marchers' participation and the result at times was that there were some who "didn't get home 'til mornin" if at all and even then a little on the "wobbly" side. Also. men wore hats in those days and many a man came out of the rally hatless and his white suit not nearly so white at the finish. I would not want to leave the impression that overindulgance was a preplanned object of these rallies of the marching units as ofttimes it may have been only a small percentage of the total number that lost control of the public frolic as the groups were composed by those of voting age, which was 21 years and up in that long-past day. It is certainly a truism that, if there is one thing in life that does not change, it is human nature, for these political meetings always gave office seekers everywhere the opportunity to sound off their fellow members just how much better off they will be by casting a vote for them and then, for most part, quickly forgetting their campaign promises when elected. Finally, my friends, that familiar declaration, "I promise" will most likely be with us definitely. These are my closing recollections to political campaigning of the past.



### Johns Hopkins Study of Childhood Diseases in the Amish

During the past year, The Johns Hopkins Medical School has been studying childhood diseases such as regular measles, mumps, chicken pox, polio, and three day measles (rubella) in 100 Amish families in Lancaster County. Interviewers have been asking questions in order to learn how many children (and parents) have had these diseases, the kinds of complications that might have developed from these diseases and the types of protection families have received to prevent these diseases. In addition, blood samples have been obtained from many families so that the Johns Hopkins team can measure the level of protection (also called the antibody level) these families have against the different diseases. Over the next few months, the Hopkins team will be carefully analyzing the information collected. Preliminary examination of the results of the study shows that over 90% of the family members studied have a good level of protection against polio and regular measles. A small percentage of the family members have protection against mumps and chicken pox. Many family members are not protected at all against three day measles (rubella).

There are two ways a person gets protection against the childhood diseases. A person may get a full-bloom case of regular measles with fever, head cold, sore throat, body aches, tiredness and the typical red rash lasting about 7-10 days. That person is usually protected for the rest of his or her lifetime from ever getting measles again. It is possible to have a less severe case of measles and get lifetime protection. A second way to receive lifetime protection against measles is to be immunized by taking a shot.

For the next few months the Johns Hopkins team will be returning to visit the 100 families and give them the results of the blood tests. Those family members who are not protected against the various diseases will be offered protective treatment. It is important to be protected against the diseases. Although these diseases are often mild in children, each disease can cause several complications. Adults who get these diseases tend to become very ill and have more complications than children.

What are the complications? For regular measles there are several. About one in 10,000 children who get regular measles will die. Common complications include ear infections and pneumonia. Encephalitis or inflammation of the brain occurs in one case in 1,000. The complication rate is higher for adults.

Mumps can cause partial loss of hearing or complete deafness. This occurs in one in every 300 or 400 cases. The most common complication of mumps is encephalitis or meningitis, two forms of inflammation of the brain. This occurs more often with mumps than with regular measles but the complication is less serious in mumps. The symptoms of encephalitis or meningitis are stiff neck, headache, dizziness, delirim, and convulsions. People with these complications frequently recover completely, but a few are left with permanent damage to the nervous system. Other complications of mumps are inflammation of some of the male organs and the female organs; this inflammation can cause some men and some women to be infertile, unable to have children.

Three day measles (rubella) can cause swelling and pain in joints. Complications are more common in older children and adults than in younger children. Rarely, unusual bleeding from cuts can occur. About one in every 6,000 persons with rubella will develop encephalitis. The most serious complication from three day measles occurs in pregnant women. Three day measles can cause miscarriage or stillbirth. Babies of unimmunized mothers exposed to three day measles may be afflicted with deafness, cataracts or blindness, serious heart defects, and mental retardation. The only way to prevent the disease in pregnant women is to protect all children and adults from three day measles.

The Johns Hopkins team would like to give additional information about these diseases and their prevention to anyone interested. For additional written information or an appointment to talk with a member of the Johns Hopkins team, contact Sadie Beiler or Sara Fisher, who have been acting as consultants for Hopkins.

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### The Forest Fire

Submitted by Ruth Miller, Pleasantville, Tenn.

The night was grim and still with dread, No star shone down from heavens dome The ancient forest clothed around The settlers lonely home.

There came a glare that lit the north, There came a wind that roused the night But child and father slumbered on, Nor felt the glowing light.

There came a deep and gathering roar, The father raised his anxious head And saw the light like a dawn of blood, That streamed across his bed. It lite the old clock on the wall, It lite the room with splender wild It lite the fair and tumbled hair, Of the still sleeping child.

The rude log barn, the chip strewn yard, The zig-zag fence, the cabin gray Glowed crimson in the shuttering glare, Of that untimely day.

The child was hurried from his sleep, The horse was hurried from his stall. And up from the pasture clearing came, The cattles frightened call.

The boy was snatched to the saddle bow, Wildly, Wildly, the father rode. Behind them scorched the hordes of flames, That hurried their abode.

The scorching heat was at their heels, A hudge roar hounded them in their flight. Red smoke and many a flying brand, Flew o'er them in the night.

While past them fled the wild wood forms, Far stranding mouse and leaping deer. And bounding panther and carison wolf, Terrible eyed with fear.

And closer drew the feary death, Madly, Madly the father rode. The horse began to heave and fail, Beneath the double load.

The father saw their fate was close, And said, tearfully, in a saddened tone. Hold fast to your seat, sweetheart, And ride old Cherry well.

I must go back, ride to the river, Over the fort and the long marsh ride. Straight to town and I meet you, sweetheart, Somewhere on the other side.

He slid from the saddle, the boy rode on, His hand clung fast to the horse's mane. His hair blew over the horse's neck, His small throat throbbed with pain.

Father, Father he cried aloud, But the howl of the fire wind answered him With the hiss of the soaring flames and crash, Of shuttering limb on limb.

But still the good horse galloped on, With the same brace and strength renew. The boy came safe to the rivers fort, And out of the deadly woods.

And safe with his kinsfolk fenced with fear, At play in the hand of the city's hum. He stops in his play to wonder why His father does not come?

2nd marriage Jacob Stoltzfus who died May 30, 1970, 69 yr

# List of Widows of Eastern, Penna and St. Marys County, Maryland

Katie, widow of Henry Stoltzfus who died Mar 8, 1938, 45 yr. Rachie, widow of Christ Beiler who died Dec 4, 1941 Leah, widow of Amos Fisher who died Nov 1, 1943, 30 yr. Annie, widow of Amos King who died Nov 9, 1945, 38 yr. Mary, widow of John Stoltzfus who died Jun 9, 1950, 35 yr Emma, widow of Ammon Stoltzfus who died Feb 6, 1952, 50 yr Annie, widow of Isaac Stoltzfus who died Oct 26, 1952, 59 yr Lizzie, widow of Amos Lapp who died May 18, 1954, 47 yr Mary, widow of John F. Stoltzfus who died Aug 8, 1954, 58 yr Hannah, widow of John Stoltzfus who died July 4, 1955, 54 yr Annie, widow of Stephen King who died July 6, 1955, 71 yr Sarah, widow of Gideon Diener who died July 5, 1955, 62 yr Rebecca, widow of Bis. Amos Fisher who died Aug 3, 1955, 47 yr Sarah, widow of Daniel Zook who died Aug 23, 1957, 74 yr Lizzie, widow of Jonas King who died Sept 20, 1958, 56 yr Sadie, widow of Sol Stoltzfus who died Nov 10, 1958, 51 yr Sadie, widow of Elmer Esh who died Apr 1, 1959, 43 yr Mary, widow of Sam Fisher who died Nov 6, 1959, 53 yr Emma, widow of Jacob Hertzler who died Oct 8, 1925, 31 yr 2nd marriage Mike Stoltzfus who died Feb 1, 1960, 65 yr Elsie, widow of John King who died Feb 22, 1960, 63 yr Salina, widow of Enos Stoltzfus who died Dec 26, 1961, 88 yr Sarah, widow of John Blank who died July 14, 1962, 47 yr Malinda, widow of Bis. Jacob Lapp who died Aug 26, 1962, 67 yr Lizzie, widow of Daniel King who died Sep 25, 1962, 59 yr Katie, widow of Samuel Fisher who died Nov 6, 1962, 45 yr Mary, widow of Daniel Stoltzfus who died Oct 20, 1962, 73 yr Annie, widow of Ephriam Stoltzfus who died July 8, 1963, 54 yr Malinda, widow of Isaac Petersheim who died July 19, 1963, 35 yr Leah, widow of Amos Esh who died Aug 6, 1963, 45 yr Nancy, widow of Ben Stoltzfus who died Sep 13, 1963, 73 yr Annie, widow of Menno King who died Oct 3, 1963, 48 yr Sarah, widow of Mose Lantz who died Sept 13, 1964, 52 yr Malinda, widow of Abner Stoltzfus who died June 29, 1923, 28 yr 2nd marriage Joel King who died Mar 24, 1965, 75 yr Rebecca, widow of John U. Fisher who died Apr 7, 1965, 70 yr Lizzie, widow of Pre. Levi Fisher who died Oct 5, 1965, 63 yr Lydia, widow of Jona Beiler who died Oct 14, 1965, 72 yr Mary, widow of Stephen Stoltzfus who died Feb 20, 1966, 68 yr Annie, widow of Andy Beiler who died Mar 15, 1966, 68 yr Mary, widow of Amos King who died Apr 16, 1966, 58 yr Fannie, widow of David Flaud who died June 11, 1966, 68 yr Lizzie, widow of Levi Fisher who died July 16, 1966, 69 yr Fannie, widow of Mose Riehl who died Feb 4, 1967, 68 yr Fannie, widow of Sam Fisher who died May 27, 1967, 79 yr Katie, widow of Daniel King who died Apr 13, 1967, 55 yr Fannie, widow of Christ Blank who died Apr 24, 1967, 68 yr Lizzie, widow of Dea. Jacob Lapp who died Aug 22, 1967, 76 yr Pricilla, widow of Christ Petersheim who died Nov 19, 1967, 69 yr Annie, widow of Isaac Lapp who died Dec 20, 1967, 35 yr Mary, widow of John Esh who died Feb 6, 1968, 65 yr Mary, widow of John Riehl who died Mar 3, 1968, 54 vr Katie, widow of Elias Esh who died Apr 24, 1968, 68 yr Lydia, widow of Pre. Dan Stoltzfus who died May 17, 1968, 68 yr Betsie, widow of Aaron Beiler who died May 19, 1968, 72 yr Sarah, widow of Pre. David King who died June 11, 1968, 54 yr Emma, widow of Christ Petersheim who died Aug 26, 1968, 41 yr Sarah, widow of Amos Smucker who died Sept 8, 1968, 54 vr Sarah, widow of Ephraim Lapp who died Jan 1, 1969, 38 yr Sadie, widow of John King who died Jan 18, 1969, 63 yr Lizzie, widow of Daniel King who died Apr 8, 1969, 78 yr Mary, widow of Samuel Lantz who died Apr 27, 1969, 67 yr Rachel, widow of Bis. John Smoker who died Dec 22, 1969, 54 yr Sylvia, widow of Bennie Beiler who died May 21, 1933, 44 yr 2nd marriage Pre. John Lapp who died Jan 9, 1970, 85 yr Annie, widow of Bennie Lantz who died Apr 6, 1970, 63 yr Barbara, widow of Jacob Stoltzfus who died Apr 1, 1949, 63 yr 2nd marriage Christ King who died Apr 17, 1970, 83 yr Sadie, widow of Dea. Jacob Stoltzfus who died Apr 26, 1970, 53 yr

Mary, widow of Dannie Petersheim who died May 21, 1942, 45 yr

Sarah, widow of David J. Beiler who died Jun 1, 1970, 57 yr Sadie, widow of Eli Ebersol who died June 1, 1970, 61 yr Rachel, widow of Mose Stoltzfus who died Aug 9, 1970, 78 yr Annie, widow of Amos Esh who died Aug 27, 1970, 68 yr Annie, widow of John Miller who died Nov 7, 1970, 81 yr Lydia, widow of John King who died Nov 23, 1970, 67 yr Sarah, widow of Isaac E. Smoker who died Apr 27, 1971, 64 Rachel, widow of Jacob Esh who died May 10, 1971, 66 yr Katie, widow of Dea. Mose Lapp who died May 21, 1971, 80 yr Mary, widow of Dea. Christ U. Stoltzfus who d. July 2, 1971, 54 yr Sarah, widow of John Hershberger who died July 14, 1971, 24 yr Malinda, widow of Sam D. Stoltzfus who died July 15, 1971, 64 yr Katie, widow of Christ King who died Nov 19, 1971, 47 yr Lydia, widow of Levi Lapp who died Jan 18, 1972, 75 yr Katie, widow of Aaron Allgyer who died Apr 18, 1957, 58 yr 2nd marriage Jona Esh who died Feb 25, 1972, 77 yr Lydia, widow of Eli Smucker who died June 18, 1972, 78 yr Sarah, widow of Samuel Kauffman who died June 22, 1972, 22 yr Sarah, widow of Jacob Flaud who died Sept 10, 1972, 76 yr Lizzie, widow of John Allgyer who died Dec 12, 1972, 70 yr Lizzie, widow of Sammie Fisher who died Feb 1, 1973, 60 yr Sadie, widow of Aaron Fisher who died Apr 7, 1973, 45 yr Rebecca, widow of Menno Stoltzfus who died May 1, 1973, 69 yr Katie, widow of Levi Stoltzfus who died Aug 25, 1973, 44 yr Rachel, widow of Jacob Beiler who died Oct 7, 1973, 76 yr Hannah, widow of David Zook who died Oct 3, 1973, 74 yr Mary, widow of Eli Riehl, who died Oct 27, 1973, 75 yr Katie, widow of John Stoltzfus who died Dec 27, 1973, 56 yr Fannie, widow of Aaron Lantz who died Jan 17, 1974, 55 yr Annie, widow of Abe Ebersol who died Feb 27, 1974, 71 yr Sylvia, widow of John U. Lapp who died Mar 7, 1974, 60 yr Annie, widow of Phares Stoltzfus who died Mar 13, 1974, 72 yr Mattie, widow of Henry Fisher who died Apr 3, 1974, 58 yr Saloma, widow of Isaac Lapp who died Apr 5, 1974, 59 yr Sarah, widow of John King who died Apr 19, 1974, 75 yr Priscilla, widow of Isreal Stoltzfus who died May 15, 1974, 73 yr Fannie, widow of Leroy Stoltzfus who died June 13, 1974, 71 yr Mary, widow of Abner Allgyer who died June 23, 1974, 36 yr Fannie, widow of Pre. Amos U. Stoltzfus who d. Jul 17, 1974, 86 yr Annie, widow of Jeptha Stoltzfus who died July 28, 1974, 83 yr Sarah, widow of Daniel Blank who died Nov 7, 1974, 48 yr Katie, widow of David Lapp who died Feb 14, 1975, 35 yr Rebecca, w. of Dea. John E. Stoltzfus who died Mar 17, 1975, 76 yr Sadie, widow of Jacob Peachy who died Apr 17, 1975, 82 yr Mamie, widow of Elmer Stoltzfus who died July 17, 1975, 79 yr Sarah, widow of Christ A. Glick who died Oct 5, 1975, 70 yr Sarah, widow of Stephen J. Esh who died Jan 14, 1976, 48 yr Mary, widow of Jacob Beiler who died Feb 2, 1976, 60 yr Sarah, widow of Amos Zook who died Feb 19, 1976, 78 yr Anna, widow of Daniel K. King who died Apr 8, 1976, 65 yr Katie, widow of Jacob Stoltzfus who died Apr 14, 1976, 48 yr Annie, widow of Jess Stoltzfus who died May 22, 1976, 58 yr Sarah, widow of Pre. Ephraim King who died June 17, 1976, 67 yr Mima, widow of Bis. Sylvan Stoltzfus who died Jun 18, 1976, 58 yr Rachel, widow of Christ Lapp who died June 26, 1976, 87 yr Lydia, widow of Isaac King who died July 25, 1976, 84 yr Mary, widow of Thomas Peachy who died Aug 13, 1976, 75 yr Annie, widow of Ben Esh who died Oct 27, 1976, 83 vr Fannie, widow of Sim Stoltzfus who died Nov 19, 1976, 52 yr Katie, widow of Mose Zook who died Dec 3, 1976, 40 yr Katie, widow of Jacob Blank who died Dec 14, 1976, 55 yr Savilla, widow of Ike King who died Dec 24, 1976, 51 yr Rebecca, widow of David Fisher who died Jan 1, 1977, 86 yr Katie, widow of Bis. Gideon Stoltzfus who died Jan 6, 1977, 78 yr Emma, widow of Christ Stoltzfus who died Feb 17, 1977, 59 yr Mary, widow of John Lapp who died Mar 13, 1977, 60 yr Mary, widow of Sam King who died Mar 16, 1977, 71 yr Sadie, widow of Benuel Smucker who died June 29, 1977, 68 yr Annie, widow of John L. Stoltzfus who died Jan 25, 1978, 74 yr Mary, widow of Dea. Elam Stoltzfus who died Mar 3, 1978, 68 yr Aary, widow of Eli Miller who died May 3, 1978, 62 yr Sarah, widow of Henry Blank who died June 14, 1978, 66 yr Naomi, widow of Daniel King who died July 24, 1978, 66 yr Lydia, widow of Amos Esh who died Sept 14, 1978, 83 yr Sarah, widow of Stephen Fisher who died Oct 13, 1978, 74 yr

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### Alten Glaubens Articlen und Dienner Beschluß

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Reber, Kleper, Kannemader Diener Berfammlung - 1837

Bie der unterhaltung der Dienerschaft von den folgenden drei Gemeinden; Der Reberer, Der Kleper, und Kannemacher Gemeinden, auf den 18 ten Mär 1837.

Und ift beschloffen wie folgt;

- 1. Ift angesehen worden daß der verfall einreißen thut dieweil die Ordnung Gottes in der Gemein, in der Meidung viel überganger worden ist, so ist beschlossen das die absonderung und Meidung an allen Angehorsamen soll gebraucht werden ohne ansehen der person es sei Mann oder Weib.
- 2. Ist beschlossen worden, der Grausame Pract in der Kleider, nemlich in Seidene Halstücker mit schlib gebunden am Hals und die Mütter Thre Kinder in Seidene Halstücker zu binden und hoche Kragen an Thre Hemder und Kleider machen, und die mütter Thre Däckter erlauben Mann"s Hüt zu tragen, und damit in die Gemein oder sonstige Pläpe zu gehen, oder selbst zu tragen, so haben wir beschlossen daß solches gar nicht vie uns sein soll.
- 3. Tft beschlossen daß auch der Haus Prackt nicht sein soll; nemlich im Häuser bauen und mit unterschiedlichen farben anzustreichen, oder es anzusüllen mit Präcktigen Haus=geräth; nemlich mit hölzernen Porzelinenen und Gläßernen geschier und Schänke, und Spiegel an der Wand und dergleichen.
- 4. Beschloffen daß die Weltliche Aemter zu bedienen auch nicht fein follen; nemlich Jury oder Wählen zu halten um beamte zu machen.
- 5. Befoloffen daß das unmäßige Solitten fahren oder

andere führ wesen nicht sein soll ober Präcktige vielerlei farben an den Schlitten und Wägen wie schon zu viel geschehen ist soll unterlassen werden.

- 6. Beschlossen daß diejenige welche aus der Gemein Heirahen nicht sollen so leicht aufgenommen werden, es sei dan daß sie Thre Ehegatten mitbringen, nach Christlicher Ordnung nach wahrer Buß und Besserung erst in die Gemein aufnehmen.
- 7. Beschloffen daß wann zwei Personen auserhalb der Gemein heirathen und bei der Gemein sollten ausgenommen werden, so sollen die Diener Thnen die Ehepflichten vorstellen nach Gottlicher Ordnung und wann sie ausgenommen sind so sollen sie in der Gemein vor Gott und der Brüderschaft versprechen die Ehepflicht= en nach Christlicher Ordnung zu beleben.
- 8. Tst beschloffen daß Mann der Sabbath heiligen foll daß Man die Sechs Tag in der Woche nach Ordnung sein Geschaft verrichten und den Sonntag Gott zu Ehren feiren foll, es müßte dann ein nothfall sein.
- 9. Daß die unmaß getrieben wird bev den Jungen leut, nemlich daß die Jugend die freiheit nimmt und schlafen oder liegen zusammen ohne einige furcht oder scham, solchen foll gar nicht geduldet werden, und so solches geschieht mit wissen der Aeltern, und etwas übles daraus entstehet so sollen die Aeltern nicht ungestraft bleiben.
- 10. Ift beschloffen daß die Schneider keine neue Moden oder Welttrachten follen machen vor (Für) Geschwifter in der Gemein sondern wie die alte Tracht ist und angewiesen werden von den Diener und Aeltesten in der Gemein.
- 11. Deßgleichen die Schreiner follen keine fo Hochmüthige Haufgeräthe machen, auch nicht mit fo Frachen oder Scheckigen Farben zu bestreichen.
- 12. Zum beschluß follen alle obgemelbeten Artikel nach Christlicher Ordnung und Langmuth beobactet und gehandelt werden, und unterschrieben wie folgt von uns Diener der Orei obgemelbeten Gemeinden.

Bon der Kaffelmans Reber Gemein; Benedic Miller, Joft Nober, Sannes Güngerich.

Kleper Gemein; Chriftian Joder, der alte, Chriftian Joder, der junge, Abraham Miller, Jacob Schwartzen= bruber, David Jodder.

Kannemader Gemein; Jacob Desch, Chriftian Miller, Chriftian Nüfly, Joseph Miller, Jonas Jodder.

Abgeschrieben den 19 Juli 1860 berm Abner Yodder in der Klep von mir Jacob Schwarzendruber anjepte wohnhaft in Johnson County, Towa, zum besuch gewesen in Kanada in 4 Gemeinden, Kanistoge 1, Beswe 3, Tuskerohre 1, Wällv 3, un in der Klep in 3 Gemeinden.

Und nun am 20 ten Februar 1897 von der obigen

abschrift von mir Jacob F. Schwarzendruber=Groß Kind des obigen.

Editoral Note-

Die obergemelded "Reverer" gemein ift die Caffleman River oder noch heit Somerset, Pa. und Grantsville, Md. gemein.

Anmerkungen von J. F. S.

Hier möchte Ich noch einege anmerkung machen in Bezug auf etliche Punkte die erwähnt find in den Vorgehende Verordnungen.

Auf seite 6 sinden wir den Etelhasten gebrauch des Tadacks erwähnt als ein Hauptstück der Damalichen Mißdräuche. Ich erkenne daß solche Mißdräuche eben so wohl noch zu tage Mißdräuche sind als damals, und werden mit der länge der zeit nicht geheiliget also daß sie keine Mißdräuche mehr sind, dennoch ist diese Garstige Ekelhaste Untugend so im gebrauch heutzutage daß nur sehr wenige sind die diesem (darf sich es wagen zu sagen?) Laster nicht ergeben sind unter unsern Amischen Brüdern; die Diener auch nicht auszuschliessen Ina sogar sagen einege Diener sie könnten nicht Predigen ohne ein Kau Tadack im Mund, und sogar solche die in andern geringeren und wenigere unanständigen Mißbräuche sehr Pünklich und gewissenhart sind. (Später; Gott lob, es hat sich gebessert)

Die Seibene Hals thücher mit Schlipp um den Hals gebunden welches auf feiter 9 erwähnt ift. Tft nicht so allgemein eingewurzelt wie die Tabacks-Untugend, doch ift es in einegen Gemeinden in den Bereinigten Staten so ein alter gebrauch geworden daß sie es beinahe als ein Hersammlung koomt ohne diesen gebrauch der wird darum angesehen als einer der nicht so recht zu Ihnen genörte oder etwas neues und ungewöhnliches haben wollte welches ihm nicht zustünde.

Eben so ist es mit der heilige aufnammen der aufgebannten die sich in der Welt Verheirathteten. Es sind nur wenige Gemeinden in America die etwas darnach fragen ob das Gebannte seine andere Chehälste mit sich bringt oder nicht und wenn jemand etwas dargegen sagt so wird er angesehen als ob er von einem alten gebrauch abweichen wollte. Dies isch auf seite 10 erwähnt.

Der uneheliche Beischlaf welcher auch auf seite 12erwähnt ift, ift wohl nebst dem Jaback, der gräßeste Schandflede der unter den Amischen in America Wüthet und wurde von den erften anseidler im Staat New York mit von Holland und Holftein gebracht, so viel Ich aussinden kann, und ob es wohl an jener Diener Versammlung als unerlaubber erklärt, wurde so waren doch vieleicht die mehrsten Diener zu laß und der wiederstand für die andern zu groß daß sie etwas hätten verrichten können. Dies ward zur Haupt=Urface warum mein Groß=Vater seine liebe Heimath in Alleghenn Co Md verlies und ging in die weite Weste nach Johnson County, Towa woselbst er half eine Gemeinde au Gründen in welcher dieser Schandfleden von Ihrem ersten aufang nicht gebilligt wurde, als eine der ersten Gemeinden der Art in America.

Mir ift faft unbegreiflich wie noch heute viele der Alten Gemeinden in Indiana, Dhio und Pa. dieser Schandhafter Uebung so Gleichgültig zusehen können, Ja sogar von vielen angesehen wird als ein guter alter Gebrauch den wir schuldig sind zu halten um nichts neues anzusangen, und sogar wird es von vielen angesehen als ein heiligthum, darum heilig weil es etwas altes ist. Doch sind Gott Lob auch viele die ein besseres einsehen haben und es gerne ändern würden.

D Gott komm Thnen zu hülfe und reinige beine Gemeinde mehr und mehr von folden Schandflecken um Chrifti willen, Amen.

Aus dem obigen kann ersehen werden wie wenig aufgerichtet ist mit den Beschlüße an den Diener Versammlungen die nicht vollzogen werden weil entsweder kein ernst da ist oder weil der beifall von der Gemeinde sehlt. Auch kann man daraus erlernen daß solche alter Gebräuche als wie die erwahnte sticke oder gebräuche nebst andern mehr an einer zeit auch new waren und daß sie nicht immer gut geheisen wurden von iedermann.

Gottes Wort ift untrüglich und bleibt sich immer gleich, die Welt und Thre wege ändern sich von zeit zu zeit und bringt uns manches neues daß in sich Sündhaft ist, auch manches daß nicht Sündhaft ist. Darum sollte alles sowohl altes wie neues mit Gottes Wort erwogen werden, welches uns alles was zur Anmaß, zum Aversluß, zur Wollust und Öbrigkeit dient verbietet es sei altes oder neues, dann was jehr alt ist war zu seiner zeit anch new gewesen, wie zum beispeil der Tabacks gebrauch kam erst nach der entdekung Americas, ist nicht wohl auch das Sündigen eines der Reltesten gebräuche in der Welt? doch war es etwas ganz neues bei dem Sünden fall Adams, und ist noch heute so unrecht wie damals.

Darum laffet uns jedenfalls thun wie uns Paules schrt Phil 4:8 Weiter lieben Brüder was Wahrhaftig ift, was Ehrbar, was gerecht, was keusch, was lieblich, was wohl lautet, ift etwa ein Tugend, ift etwa ein Lob, dem danket nach.

Quas der Haus pract angehet von welchem auf seite 1() zu lesen ist; so können wir sehen daß die "Alten" es auch für unerbaulich hielten als wir es noch heut zu tage thun auch eben so wohl dagegen prodestierten als wir thun. Aber wer sagt heutzutage etwas gegen Porzelanenem Geschirr? Ewars ist einen Glas schant angefüllt mit gläßernem geschirr oder Theures Geblumtes geschirr noch heute eben so Sündhaft als iemals, weil es

nur zur Augenluft dient, und auf diese Unmaß mag wohl jener Sab hauptsäcklich bezugg haben und anwendbar sein. Doch kann es leicht sein das sie es alles versagen wollten, welches ich noch weiter erklären will: Meine Mutter (Thr Mädchen Namen war Sarah Joder) was eine Tochter von Christian Joder dem jungen, dieser was ein Sohn von Christian Joder dem alten, diese haben beide jenen Aufsab unterschrieben in welchen Pozelänerne geschirr erwähnt wird. Meine Mutter war geboren in Jahr 1829 am 17ten May und starb an 9ten Juli 1867, also nun bald 30 jahre.

Doch kann Ich mich noch erinneren daß sie uns erzählt hat wie ihre Aeltern, da sie ein kind war, gar kein oder doch nur sehr wenig Porzelänig geschirr zum täglichen gebrauch auf dem Tisch hatten und keinen Rochosen, sondern sie hatten zinnere Schüffel, Deller und Löffel wenn dann etwas zerbrach oder zu schlim gebogen, oder ein loch durch getoßen oder geschmolzen was so wurde es geschmolzen, und über gegossen und ein neues gesäß daraus gemacht. Die kinder aßen aufschließlich mit Hölzernen heimgemachten Däller und Löffel, eben dasselbe erzählte mir später mein Bater von seiner kindheit un seines Vaters Hause.

Da nun meine Äeltern damals als jener Auffat verfaßt und von Thren heiden Bätern unterschrieben wurde, finder waren von 7 und 12 Jahre, so ist mir gläublich daß sie vielleicht den gebrauch von Porzelänernem Geschirr gänzlich versagen wollten.

"Einig macht ftart" dies erkannten auch unfere vorsahrer da sie die heir vererwahnte Diener Bersfammlungen hielten, zu diesen ende Spaarten sie keine Mühe, sondern selbst in der Verfolgungs zeiten reiseten sie hunderte von meilen zu fuß um diese Versammlungsen beizuwohnen im alten Land. Auch in America wo sie due Glaubensfreiheit hatten thaten sie das nämliche. Ach wollen wir nun Thre arbeit verachten oder gering schäen?

Zum beschluß will Ich noch sagen: Laffet uns nur feine Kirche auf Menschen bauen. Und mithin auch nicht auf die Diener die diese vorgehenden Beschlüße und Aufsäße verfaßten, sondern allein auf den Fels Jesum Christum hört die Gemeinde gegründet.

Doch lieber lefer; prüfe forgfaltig ob nicht diese beschlüße auf diesen Fels gegründet sind der gesagt hat, "Himmel und Erde werden vergehen aber meine Morte werden nicht vergehen."

More Swartzentruber collections to follow.

Der Samarit

Jum Shriftgelehreter und zu uns Spricht Jesus in seinen wort Won Jerusalem zu Jericho Da ging ein unger fort.

Und da er wandelt auf dem weg Unter die morder fallt Die schlugen ihn gar halber todt 340 Und nahmen ihm fein geld. Ein Priefter aber ging hinab In kleider schon und neu Und sah ihn liegen in die grube Doch ging er an vorbei

Des felben gleichen ein Levit Der guckte hin und her Und dah er meint das niemand fah Liez er ihn liegen da Ein Samariter aber kam Mit einem wahren herb Und sah ihn leigen an den weg Begehrte sinem schmerz

Soff oel und wein in feine wehe. Berbund ihn fiene wehe Er nahm fein koph in feine hand And kuhlke feinem mund Er hob ihn auf sein lasstbar their Herberge fand so gar Den toften nahm er auf sich selbst Mitleidichkeit das war

Nun will ich weiter fagen beir Zu euch von dies geschicht Denn diese menschen sterben auch Und fommen vors gericht

Da fommt der Priester dann vor Gott Barmbergigfeit begehrt Und sagt wie er in diese welt Sein wort oft hat gelehrt

Er faat wie er so viele leut Vermahnt an viele ort Mit trönen wies sie auf das recht Nach seinem beiligen wort

Na, Spricht der herr zu diesem Prieft Dies ift mir wohl bekannt Haft wohl gelehrt, doch nicht belebt Steh hin zur linken hand

Nahmst meinem bund in deinem mund In fünden hast du fort gelebt Und raubest mich die ehr Dein leben sagt mir was du bift Was hilft dir dein gelehr

Zum zeugnis steht es nun vor dir Dein leben war ein schein Durch engen tur kommst nicht zu mir Beh hin zur hellen pein

Da nun der Levit ftand vor Gott Ein lammlein war er gleich Die trönen fließen wohl und fein In demut war er reich

Die Johl Vierzig In Der Bibel

Dreimol vierzig jahr gewahrte Gott zu buse einst die welt, Doch sie sich nicht zu ihm Kehrt Und er dann sein urtheil fellt.

Vierzig tag und veirzig nachte Stramte regen bann berab. Wie Gott nach feinem fnechte Frie befell darum icon gab.

Noah fah die Bergen rügen Und geherrmet def regens lauf, Nach verlauf von vierzig tagen, Mach er dann ein fenster auf.

Tsaac vierzig jahri zahlte Als er einft Rebecca fand. Die der Herr fur ihn erwählte And mit der er sich verband.-

Er fagt wie froh das er nun ift Das er sein lebenlang Sich geübet hat, zu loben Gott Im wort und im gefang

Viel autes hab ich nun getan Viel freundlichkeit beweis Half jedem der in noten war So er sich helfen lies

Aufrichtig lebt ich auf der erd Und heilt ein mander fderz Doch weil er redet in fein bruft Ver dammte ihn sein herz

Da spricht der Herre Gott zu ihm Dein leben ift mir tund Wie fagft du folche fach zu mir -Aus deinem eignem mund

Und weist das du betrogen hast Mit deinem stolben berz Ubft deine luft, in deine bruft Und machst ein mancher schmerz

Und meinst ich weis es nicht Dein heuchelei ift mir bekannt Bei mir ist alles licht

Du fagft im wort und im gefang Saft du gelobet Gott Dies sag ich dir, dein gefang zu mir War mir ein bloßer spott

Die ehr von leut haft du begehrt Ein großen nam geliebt Und warft auch von viel leut beschert Und sprachen das dir himmel rang Du haft mich viel betrubt

Barmherzigkeit haft nicht getan Schamst dich for meinem kind Doch lag ich bei ihm auf dem weg Nun bleibe deine Sünd

> Als er sich ein weih genommen Zehlte Esau vierzig jahr Von die heiden fie gefommen Isaac! hertzeleid sie wahr.

Grof um Jacob war die klage Als er sich aus dieser welt. Man ihn falbte vierzig tage Wie sohn Joseph es bestellt.

Als Egypten er verlaffen Zahlte Mofie vierzig jahr, Dann ist kaum zu faffen Vierzig jahr ein hirtie wahr. Nun feh ich liegen vor dem Herr Auf feinem angefict Ein menfc, es ift der Samarit Des bin ich wohl bericht

D berre Gott, spricht er zu ihm Wollft dick erbarmen mein Ich weis das ich verdienet hab Berdammnis, Soll und Pein

In eignem willen hab ich, Herr Mein leben zugebracht Ich hab dich Herr, und meinem brüder Ganz zu viel veracht

Zu viel gelebt für mich allein Die liebe nicht geübt Ich seh vor mir die fünden mein Ich hab dich viel betrubt

Run lieg ich vor dir Herre Gott Unwert das ich fann fein Auf deine gnad verließ ich mich Wollst dich erbarmen mein

Nun budte einem Engel fich Wohl zu derfelben stund Und nahm sein topf in seine hand Und fuhlte seinem mund

Alnd fprach," do follst dich furchten nicht" Und weiter hat gemelt Wie dein herz hat verlangt nach ihm Da du warft in der welt

Run tommen viele Engel bei In wunderlichen zier Der Samarit ist hier

Und fangen auch ein neues lied Weil Jesus auf fein thron Sich bückt und legte auf fein haupt Ein guldens Lebens Kron

> Durch die wüfte hat geleitet Isreal die vierzig jahr, Bu dem land von Gott bereitet Israel verheifen wahr.

Bierzig tag und vierzig nechte Mosie auf dem berge blieb. Wo der Herr einst seine rechte Und gebote nieder fcrieb.

Einst die menner aus gesendet Zu besehen das gute land, Haben vierzig tag gespendet Als sie sich zurick gewandt.

Vierzig jahr mit manna spieste Daffur sie vom Himmel siel, Gott sein folt so lang es reüste Bis es endlich komt zum ziel.

Dreimal vierzig reich im jahren Mofes's alter hat gezahet, Neimand hat fein grab erfahren Weil Gott felbst den ort erwahlt

Vierzig tage ward gewarnet Ninnive die groffe ftadt, Den fie follten fein zerftaret Vie ihr Kona kund es that. Solomon und David beide Haben vierzig jahr regiert, Solomon in schenfte Kleider David hatte krieg gefuhrt.

Einst dan Elia seinem kneckte Stellt Gott brod und wasser dar, Vierzig tag und vierzig nachte Er dann auf der reise war.

Vierzig jahr als preister Gottes Eli vor dem volke stond, Doch um seines söhnes spottes Er nur ein missellen sond. Vierzig tag an einem orte Chriftus auch versuchet war, Wie berichtet in dem worte Saton ihm versuchtet dar.

Seit vom tode er aufftanden Waren vierzig tage nur, Bis der Heiland frei von banden Bon dem Berg gen Himmel fahr.

Vierzig ftrice Pauluf zahlte Wenigen einem wie er fagt, Von dem weg den er ervalte Hat ihn diefes nicht gebracht.

Abgeben von Ben und Annie Beiler

# CROP AND WEATHER - Continued from page 12

and Jonas E. Gingerich, Joe and Vernon Bontrager, David E. Bontrager, Mose W. and Mose M. Borntreger.

# Anabel, Missouri - Mrs. Abe Y. Borntreger

November has been real nice, giving farmers a good time to do fall work. Corn husking is mostly done. Still some shredding to do. Wood is being made. Cane was a good crop this year. Our first tracking snow came on the morning of the 27th, and had snow flurries all day that day. Our coldest was 17 degrees the 25th and 26th.

We still have some snow on the ground. We had mostly nice sunny days this month. Had a few showers of rain but it is rather dry.

# Jamesport, Missouri - Amos W. Yoder

Real nice fall weather through November with about an inch of rain altogether, also a little snow, but not enough to cover the ground. It was just fine to get crops harvested. Some corn which was burned so bad last summer made 20 to 30 bushels, while some early planted, which came out ahead of the dry weather made up to 60 bushels per acre. Lots of fall plowing has been done already.

### Beebe, Arkansas - Lester F. Graber

November weather started in nice, with rains over the weekends of the 16th and 23rd, turning into snow on the night before Thanksgiving, which gave us a White Thanksgiving, which is very unusual for this area.

Crops are not all harvested yet, as still some bean fields standing, but some of these may not have been planned to be cut, as the crop was very poor this year.

Sow and fat hog prices were in the 30.00-40.00 range the last few sale days.

# Johnson County, Iowa - Mrs. Eli S. Bontrager

I think all crops are gathered in by now, November 28. Corn and beans were a good crop, and most of the ground worked already for spring planting, but lots of ears of corn laying on the ground, account of a wind storm just before harvest, some was picked up later, but not most of it. There will likely be a lot of volenteer corn in the fields in the spring. We've had moisture about as needed, we had a light snow yesterday. The coldest temperature was 13 degrees so far up to November 28th.

# Buchanan County, Iowa - Mrs. Joe A. Yoder

November in general was a nice month more like October blue skies. Had an all day rain on November 13th and a cover of snow on the 27th and again on the 28th. Sunday November 30th was a nice sunny day. Temperature at 55 degrees at noon. Much plowing a as done this month, also filling the wood sheds.

# Bloomfield, [Davis County], Iowa - Mrs. Daniel D. Yoder

We had a little blanket of snow the latter part of October and again of Thanksgiving which came so nice, but in general November was a beautiful month for harvesting, plowing, etc. Our coldest temperature was 19 degrees and also received some rain.

Was so nice the last day with temperature in the forties. By December 1st it was cloudy, rained in night turning to a few snow flurries and high winds and temperature at 9 degrees above by morning.

Trapping and hunting are on the go with 1st deer season to open in a week. Around 50 lb. feeder pigs are close to a dollar a pound.

# Utica, Minnesota - Atlee J. Shetler

November had been not so cold on an average from 22 to 38 degrees in the mornings with a lot of sunshine. The ground was covered with a light snow on the morning of the 28th but was all gone by noon. The corn picking was mostly all finish by Thanksgiving and wood sheds are filled.

# Cashton, Wisconsin - Joe C. Borntreger

The weather through November was mostly nice and clear, but had a little snowflurries the night of the 13th and the 20th, but didn't last long, now we got about 2 inches of Thanksgiving Day, so the ground is ctill covered enough to track deer, which probably suits the hunters, quite a few deer were taken, but still some empty tags. Fall work is mostly done except some corn husking and shredding to do.

# Wilton, Wisconsin - Jacob D. Hochstetler

October was nice with a lot of nice sunny days. Quite a lot of 2nd and 3rd crop hay made the first part of October. A lot of corn harvested in October with a good yield. Had our first hard frost the 3rd. The coldest was 20 degrees the 28th. Quite a lot of fall plowing was done in October. Had around 3 inches of rain in October.

November was mostly sunny and nice. The coldest was 12 degrees the 25th. There was some plowing done the first part of November. Ground was frozen most of the time the last half of November. A lot of the time the last half of November. A lot of wood is being cut and some shredding to do yet also some corn picking. Deer season opened the last week in November with a below average harvest.

# St. Marys, Ontario Canada - Abe Hochstetler

October has been average with few hard frosts, and ground favorable corn harvest weather, with good crop reported. Price up to 3.70 per bushel. A lot of fall plowing has been done.

## Norwich, Ontario - Levi D. Stutzman

We had our first blanket of snow on November 18th and more on the 27th. Our coldest was 19 above on the 16th. Weaner pigs have hit a dollar a pound again.

# Chesley, Ontario Canada - Jacob Hershberger

November started in nice and some nice days all through this month and a little snow now and then, more rain than average.

# Wingham, Ontario - Barbara Gingerich

November has been unusually mild and cloudy with only a few flakes of snow until the twenty seventh, when the ground was covered. Most of the plowing is done. Fat hogs remain between 70 74, corn and other grain prices are rising.

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Bia Smoke Mountain

"They'll be willin' enough to travel when they grow thirsty," Zally had

themselves were ravenously hungry. And they were also beginning to This was undoubtedly true, and the boys were now waiting as patiently as they could. Having eaten not a bite since yesterday morning, they said more than once.

they wanted to turn back, toward where they had drank last; but the Not till well on in the afternoon did the horses become restless. Then young riders kept them headed southward. suffer from thirst.

"We'll reach that creek yit, and cut ourselves loose, if the redskins will only give us a little more time," said Zally, now wonderfully encouraged.

"I'm glad night's not far off," Oscar answered. "If we can keep from being seen till after dark, I believe we can make it all right."

At first the horses moved only at a walk. Later, by much slapping with their hands and scolding, the boys got them to going at a trot.

"Now we'll git some'rs, if we only keep this up," said Zally. Both were

But their elation was short-lived. Glancing back a few minutes later, Oscar uttered an exclamation of despair. Scarcely a mile behind, several

Indian warriors were coming at full speed. "The devil take the red niggers!" exclaimed Zally, both angry and

Terrified at the thought of being recaptured, the fugitives now began frantically to urge their horses to a swifter gait. Soon they were going at a This frightened the fugitives' horses, which now ran at the top of their gallop. The Comanches were gaining fast, and presently began to yell. speed. The boys slapped them and talked to them, and urged them on in every way possible.

"Keep it up!" velled Zally. "We'll beat the boogers yit! We're holdin,

our own now!"

The fugitives were indeed holding their own. In fact, for a few miles they appeared to be rather gaining on their pursuers. Given something to urge their horses on with, they might have escaped: for their horses were fresher than the Indians' horses, which had been ridden hard. But, after running a few miles, the animals the boys were on grew weary and refused to do their best any longer.

Now the Comanches rode round and got ahead of them. The terrified white boys felt sure that their last minute had arrived. The Indians were plainly angry; and Ishoroyeh, who was one of them, was the angriest of all. But they only turned and drove the two horses back the way they had

busy clinging to his horse. Not for a moment did the savage drivers break a gallop till they reined up at their camp, on the creek near which the During that swift ride of two or three hours, the captives had little time to brood over what might be in store for them. Oscar, especially, was kept drove had stampeded. It was now night, most of the wild ride having been made after dark.

By this time both the captives' horses and the Indians' horses were

timber bordering the stream. Several camp-fires were still burning, but most of the red men had gone to sleep. Some of them got up, however, breathing hard and covered with foam. The camp was at the edge of the and came out to meet the returning Indians.

thrown over their heads, and the captives were untied and taken off. They As the party dashed up to the camp, the captives' horses had ropes were promptly stripped of all their clothes, and then bound hard and fast to some trees close by. Each of them, standing with his back against a buffalo-hide rope and his hands drawn back and bound together behind the tree, had his feet knotted together and then tied to the tree with tree with buckskin thongs. Now the Comanches retired to their camp, to eat Ishoroyeh soon came to see about something, and Calamity Jim, the

renegade, came with him.

warned you not to play the fool ag'in, but you wouldn't listen to me. So, "Well, boys, it's all up with you this time," said the white man. of course, you know what to expect."

"What are they goin' to do with us?" inquired Zally

"Oh, they're goin' to put a end to you. No doubt about that."

"But how?" Oscar wanted to know, faintly.

"That they've not decided yit. Whichever way they think will make the most fun. You'll find out when mornin' comes. Both captives eagerly besought him to do something to save them. But he only laughed, as if their fearful predicament were a good joke.

you wouldn't be tied up here this way, waitin' to be put to death. Mighty big fool business, that runnin' away." "Too late for that now. It would be as much as my skyelp's worth to interfere, even if I wanted to ever so bad. If you'd done what I told you,

The captives thought so too-now. Finally, seeing no hope in that direction, Oscar said:

"Won't you please bring us some water? I'm nearly dying for

"So am I," spoke up Zally, eagerly.

"I will if the Injuns will let me. Doubt if they will, but I'll see."

He and Ishoreyeh soon went back to the campfires; but neither of them returned. The captives were left to their own bitter reflections.

After several minutes, Zally broke the silence:

"Well, Oscar, we've done it this time! We jumped out of the skillet into

the fire, if anybody ever did!"

The captives were tied at the edge of the woods, about forty steps from the Indian camp, which was out on the prairie. The trees they were tied to were only eight or ten feet apart. The moon was shining, and from their positions they could see the Comanches who had been up, and also the renegade, lying down on their buffalo-robes to sleep. The white boys themselves were weary enough to fall asleep, even in their present uncomfortable attitudes; but the cords were cutting their wrists and ankles. Both were too miserable to talk much.

get a hand free. work sumpn loose-" He was tugging and straining at his cords, trying to

"Zally, this will be our last night on earth. We shall never

moon again."

work sumpn loose." He was tugging and straining at his cords, trying to "Don't know. Things don't look much like we will. But if I could jist

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a while, then try again. At last he said, wearily: Long he kept this up, at intervals. After exhausting himself he would rest

Oscar? Any chance to work a hand loose?" "They've got me tied so tight I cain't move a peg. How is it with you

"No. These strings are almost cutting my wrists off now."

they cut, if I can only break sumpn!" was the defiant answer. Zally began to strain at his fastenings again. "Little I keer how much

wrists, and they were now swelling. He remained silent for a while, then up, reluctantly admitting that he was helpless. The buckskin had cut his But, after another protracted spell of tugging and straining, he gave it

"Oscar, I'm mighty bad skeered. I don't want to die."

us if he wanted to, I guess; and he doesn't want to. There's nobody else to Comanches don't know what pity is. Calamity Jim couldn't do anything for "Neither do I, Zally. But I don't see how we can help ourselves. These

Another silence, and then: "Oscar, cain't you pray?"

comes of it." back home. And I've prayed tonight, too, again and again. But nothing "I have prayed, Zally ever so many times. Every day since the Comanches carried us off I've prayed to God to help us get away and get

"What's the reason God won't hear you, Oscar, do you reckon?"

"I don't know. I wish I did."

troubling him. "Could it be because I cusses so much?" Zally's conscience was

"It might be that. I can't tell."

After a lengthy silence, the little half-breed said:

I've quit, if that helps any. Tell 'im I quit for good several days ago. we don't want to die. Tell him I'm mighty sorry about that cussin'; but "Oscar, I wisht you'd pray ag'in. Pray for both of us this time. Tell God

"Tell Him yourself, Zally. That will please God better than for me to tell

"Me! God won't pay no attention to a feller that cusses."

streak hisself when he gits mad; and he don't keer a rip who hears for the Padre-the priest-to pray for her. Padre Muldoon can cuss a blue "Well, that's what I heared pap tell mammy, when she wanted to send

> beat when it comes to cussin', pap is-or used to be. neither. And pap ought to know about sich things. He's mighty hard to heat when it comes to cussin' man is—or used to be?"

he stops being bad, just as readily as He will the best man. She says nobody's very good." you've quit. Mother says God will hear the worst man in the world, when "That's right if you keep on cursing, Zally. But it's different when

"If I thought God would listen to me, believe I'd tell 'im I've quit, and I'm sorry I ever started in. Nothin' else I can do now, I cain't move hand

there's no harm in praying for what you want." He may not do what you ask. We don't know whether He will or not. But "There's no doubt that God will listen to you, Zally. Though, of course,

sayin' prayers to dead men, nor livin' ones neither, as long as God's alive." says some prayers to the saints sometimes, but pap won't let her teach us childern. He says the saints is jist dead men; and he don't see no use in "I don't know how to pray, Oscar. I hain't never learnt how. Mammy

can talk to God just as you would to your father. God always understands the words we use so much as it's the spirit in which we use them what you want to say, whether you say it right or not. She says it's not "That's what I think, too, Zally. As for your words, mother says you

"What did she mean by that, Oscar?"

day." little and powerful, "Why, that when we pray we ought to feel that God's weak, and don't know anything much, and do wrong every and knows everything, and never does wrong; and that we're great and

"Well, I hain't never learnt about God; but I do know I'm not much punkins myself. And I'm worse than nothin' now, tied up here like I

"That's all right, I guess, Zally."

that preacher we heared that time, back home. Then if I say anything that God won't like, you can stop me, and Ill change it."
"All right, Zally." "Well, I'm goin' to try to pray. Oscar, s'posin' I pray out loud, like

"Oscar, don't folks put their hands together when they pray?"

"Yes, they usually do, if they can. But God never expects anybody to do what's impossible. He knows your hands are tied."

There was a brief silence, then Zally's voice began, in low, but distinct

been hearin' about you for a long, long time, but I hain't never talked to "God, I'd like to tell you sumpn, if you're not too busy to listen. I've

cussin'. Don't know what made me do it, unless it was because I heared as well as I knowed how-No, I hain't, neither! I ain't goin'to tell no lies. I've knowed for a long time it was wicked to cuss; but I jist kep' on to school none, and hain't never had no show. Reckon maybe I've done part-Mexican. That's al'ays lived away out here some'r's, and hain't been "They say you know everything, and I guess you know I'm jist a little

so many other folks cuss, and 'specially pap. If he hadn't cussed none, and hadn't-But I ain't goin' to try to blame it off on pap. He's got enough of his own to answer fur, I guess. Lots of worst folks than him, though. He's mighty nigh quit cussin' now. He never would tell lies, like so many does. And he al'ays learnt me it was low-down to tell 'em.

good and all. I ain't goin' to take it up no more, either, no matter what happens. And I'm the sorriest kind now that I done it. Anyhow, I hope you won't blame Oscar for my cussin' and won't punish him for it. He's "But what I wanted to say about cussin, was that I've quit-quit for al'ays been a good boy, Oscar has, I didn't learn no meanness from him.

and in a tight tix-yes, a mighty tight fix. Fact is, unless sumpn's done for us, and that purty quick, the won't be no sich boys as Oscar Wheeler "Uv course you already know me and Oscar's a long ways from home, and Zally Pegg. And then our folks will feel mighty bad, when we don't never come home no more. And we feel jist awful about it ourselves. We don't want to die. We want to live, and git back home, and grow up and be men, and do things.

"I ain't much to trouble anybody else as long as I can help myself. I've no break to 'em. So if you'll jist save us from these red fellers, and let us git away somehow, we'll remember it the longest day we live. And if the's anything you want us to do, we'll do it, and be mighty glad of the done my level best to break these strings; but they're buckskin, and ain't

while they're killen' us; 'specially Oscar. He's younger'n I am, and he ain't used to these kind of things, and he cain't stand as much as me. "So, I reckon that's all, God; except I want to say ag'in, I'm sorry about that cussin'. And if you think we're worth helpin', it'll have to be That's what Calamity Jim said; and he understands their talk. Me and Oscar, we're both bad skeered. But we're mightily in hopes you'll help purty soon. The redskins is goin' to finish us not long after daylight. for us but to die, I hope youll not let the Comanches hurt us too much us somehow-we don't keer how. If you won't, though, and the's nothin'

Silence followed the conclusion of the little half-breed's homely prayer.

At length Zally inquired:

"Oscar, ought I to told God I was much obleeged to 'im for listenin' to "Well, people don't commonly say that when they quit praying. But, of course, God understands already." me so long? He must be powerful busy. I didn't mean to talk so much."

Another silence followed, broken only by the many voices of the night. A merciful numbness gradually deadened the pain in the captives' ankles and wrists, and Oscar quickly fell asleep, his head drooping pitifully on remained awake in spite of his weariness and loss of sleep. But half an hour crept by, and nothing had happened, and he, too, dropped into his breast. Zally, excited over the hoped-for answer to his prayer, unconsciousness.

Both must have slept two or three hours. Oscar was awakened by a hand on his hands. He gave a start, and for a few mornents believed that

somebody, perhaps the renegade, had come to release them. But it was only an Indian. The night-herders had ridden into camp, to be relieved at the drove by other warriors, and one of them, perhaps Ishoroyeh, had walked over to see if the captives were still safe. He soon went back to camp, and lay down again among the other Indians.

thicker darkness. A strong, warm south wind had been blowing since the middle of the afternoon, and now patches of drifting clouds obscured the sky. He could barely make out the sleeping Indians; and, here in the Not long after that Zally awoke. The first thing he noticed was the shadow of the forest, he could not distinguish even Oscar's nude figure very plainly. But he thought he saw his head move.

"Oscar, air you awake?"

"Yes, I've been awake a good while. One of the Comanches awoke me

when he came out here to see about us."

"Have you seen any signs, Oscar?" Zally inquired anxiously, alluding to the expected answer to his prayer.

"No. Everything's just the same. It'll come daylight before long, I guess; and then then all will soon be over with us.

But Zally, looking up at an open patch of sky, caught sight of some stars that he recognized.

"'No, it's only about midnight," he said. "The's time yit—the's time a-plenty for sumpen to happen yit. I hain't lost heart."
"This has been a long night," Oscar murmured, wearily, drowsily. Both were soon asleep.

Uscar was aroused at length by cold rain-drops spatting his bare body. He was facing the south, and the wind dashed the rain against his breast and in his face. Dimly he could see the prostrate Indians moving, as they

hastened to cover themselves with their buffalo-robes. The cries of nightbirds rose from the prairie; and the nickering of horses came from the big drove, which was being kept under herd half a mile away. Thicker and faster pattered the rain-drops, till the water ran down Oscar's exposed body, chilling him through and through. He shivered as with an ague. Then the rain ceased as suddenly as it had begun.

Zally, sheltered by his tree-trunk, did not awake till the shower was almost over. Only his hands and arms, drawn back behind the tree, were wet. And the buckskin holding his hands together was also thoroughly

soaked.

Scarcely was he awake when, with a muttered "That's the thing-the very thing!" he began to writhe and twist as if in agony. He was tugging at his bonds again.

A few moments later Oscar was startled to see his fellow-captive fall forward to the ground. Zally's hands were free!

Doubling himself around the tree, he quickly found the knots and untied the buffalo-hide rope holding his feet to the tree-trunk. His feet were still bound together, but a minute or two sufficed to loose the rope from one of them. Then he crawled rapidly toward Oscar.

"Are you free, Zally?" was the eager, whispered inquiry.

"Free as a bird!" was the exultant. but whispered reply. 'It come! I

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will stretch, and the knots won't hold. No use to tie me with that. Now knowed it the minute I waked up and found my hands wet. Wet buckskin

knots were drawn so hard that untying them in the dark was out of the task. On the sheltered side of the tree the buckskin was still dry; and the But when he attempted to untie Oscar's hands, he found an impossible He fell to work on the rawhide knots, and quickly had Oscar's feet loose.

exclamation of impatience, Zally thrust his face down; and the bound boy harder, and hurt Oscar's arms besides. Then, with a tugged and strained at the thongs, but only drew the knots whispered

felt warm breath against his hands.

"What are you doing?" Oscar turned his head to whisper.

attacked them with his little sharp, white teeth. It was slow work, but for several minutes the boy kept gnawing away with all the tenacity of a rat. But Zally was too busy to reply. Failing to untie the thongs, he had

move at first, so stiff and numb were his cramped legs. Finally the buckskin parted, and Oscar, too was free. He could scarcely

Each of the boys still had a piece of rawhide rope on one ankle. They

were trying nervously to untie these, glancing often toward the sleeping Indians, when the noise of approaching hoofs startled them.

of 'em! Let's git from here quick! Hold your rope up, so you won't step "Yes, and they'll be jist shore to come out here to see about us, some "The night-herders are coming in to change again," whispered Oscar.

and their horses to be dimly visible; and the escaping captives fled into on it. Come on. Straight for the thick woods!" that had hung over them for hours was being left behind. rawhide on his ankle, reach was as naked as on the day he was born. But the woods and darkness. Save for the buckskin on one wrist and the little cared they for that now. They were free again. And the horrible fate The approaching Indians were now near enough to the camp for them

occasional war-whoop. Once they paused a few moments to listen. By the time they had run a few hundred yards, Zally and Oscar were hearing angry, excited voices back at the Indian camp, and also an

"We got away just in time," whispered Oscar, shudderingly.

our last before you can say scat. It's now or never for us, and here goes!" ag'in, they won't wait till daylight to finish us. They'll have us kickin' mad as robbed bumble-bees. Now them and us for it. If they ketch us "Yes, we did. They've come out and found us missin', and they're as

ankles. At Zally's suggestion, each wrapped his rope around his waist and tied it again. They might prove very useful some time, these pieces of While talking, they had been nervously untying the rawhide from their

Hope was pulling and terror pushing the fugitives along. They moved and especially the yells, increased at first, but were soon left far behind they could barely see to dodge tree-trunks. The angry noises at the camp. Then the two naked fugitives fled, through woods so thick and dark that swiftness and almost with the noiselessness of shadows

Sometimes they stepped on briers, and often the green-briers scratched their unprotected bodies. But they scarcely felt it. If they could only

escape, little cared they for anything else.

and dash away again at the same reckless speed. They ran as only those once they caught their feet in vines and fell sprawling, only to bound up woods open beneath, and sometimes through crowded bushes. More than can run who see freedom and home ahead and a cruel death behind. Up and down hills they fled, across gullies and ravines; sometimes in

have kept on running till one or both fell exhausted. But at last Zally, a downward! He called "Look out!" in cautious tones, but Oscar was too few feet in the lead, unexpectedly stepped into space and plunged For miles they fled, almost without a pause. And doubtless they would

close behind and going too fast to save himself.

plunged over a high bank into the creek. splashes that sounded frightfully loud to their excited ears. They had fifteen or twenty feet, they dived into water, one after the other, with Both plunged down, down, down, as it seemed to them. After falling

After coming to the surface and looking about them, they struck out for shocked by the unexpected fall. Both were good swimmers, fortunately. The water being deep, neither was hurt, though they were somewhat

the far bank, which was sloping.

were suffering from thirst, and while swimming they were also drinking. By the time they had reached land their thirst was quenched, and they In one respect their plunge into the stream had been fortunate. Both

scrambled up the bank and hurried on. Some time later, while still running, they burst into a little glade, and

dark-looking objects bounded up and went crashing away through the almost fell over some dark-looking objects lying on the ground. The

brush. The boys stopped suddenly.

"It was jist some—some buffaloes," gasped Zally, as the two stood panting and listening to the noise of the fleeing animals.

that had driven them having partially subsided, they were feeling the The fugitives were soon moving on, but more slowly now. The terror

effects of their exertions. Finally Oscar said:

"Every inch of ten miles, I guess. And I wisht it was a hundred." "How far do you s'pose we've come, Zally?"

"Yes. I know we're travelin' west."

"How can you tell, Zally? You can't see any stars. We may be moving

in a circle again.

runs west - or east." I'm keepin' it on my left side. And besides that, this creek we're follerin "Not this time. I'm lookin' out for that. The wind's in the south, and

"But why do you want to travel west?"

Though, uv course, they may scatter out and hunt all over the country, think we've started south ag'in and look for us back along the trail. the's so many uv 'em. And we don't want to vencher out onto that big "To keep in the woods, for one thing. And maybe the redskins will

prairie yit a while. We've got to have sumpn to eat and we'll need a good hidin'-place when daylight comes. We could hide in the tall grass, but a thicket suits me better.

"What can we find to eat, Zally! I never was so starved in

We'll skeer up plenty to eat when daylight comes-nuts and grapes and things. But we must be at least twenty miles away from "Me neither.

that Injun camp by daylight.",

time. We'll stand a good chance to give 'em the dodge if we'll jist hump "Let's keep hoofin' it jist as long as we can, Oscar, Those red wolves will be after us when daylight comes, if they ain't already. And now's our ourselves while we can. But we've got to git out of their reach before they "Don't know whether I can make ten miles more without eating resting or not. I feel so weak in the knees. But I'll do my best. can see how to track us."

"How can we live when we do get away, Zally, without anything to

"Oh, we'll manage that part somehow-don't you fret Oscar. Folks can ive without clothes if they have to. The redskins don't wear many. And the's jist lots of things to eat in the woods; and some on the prairie, too, wear or anything to eat?"

if you know how to find 'em. Feller can live anywheres this time of year." "How I wish we had something to eat!" Oscar said, wistfully. My knees

keep knocking together. It's been more than two days since we swallowed

myself. But we cain't find anything to eat now, dark as it is. So the best thing for us to do is to keep hoofin' it as long as we can lift a foot, and as "Yes, I know. Seems like two years to me. I feel as shaky as a leaf fast as possible. Mighty little we'll ever do if the Comanches lays hands on

At length they were stopped short by a growl and the glowing of fiery eyes Both were soon going on a trot again. And long they kept it up, seldom uttering a word as they fled, Zally in the lead and Oscar close behind. Their hearts were pounding, and their lungs laboring painfully, gasping. ahead. Their progress was being disputed by some wild animal, doubtless "Don't run from it—don't turn your back!" cautioned Zally, his words coming in gasps. "If you do, it'll be on top—on top of you before you know it. We've got to stand right up and-and look the varmint straight

"Maybe it will jump-jump on us anyhow," whispered his trembling

"Not if we stand right up-bold and-bold and-and face it. A painter won't jump on you while you're looking it in the eyes. That's what pap says, and what everybody says. It's so, too. I know, I tried it on companion, who was afraid to stand still and afraid to run.

As they stood gazing at the beast it's outlines became dimly visible, and it was of formidable size. The naked boys eyed it as bravely as they three painters and it worked every time.

could. The panther growled several times, but made no move to attack

At last Zally proposed that they try backing away, to see if it would

Fortunately it did not. After withdrawing to a safe distance, they turned and fled, making a circuit around the dangerous spot. But they

back often to see if the beast of prey was on their trail.

The fugitives continued their flight westward, dropping to a walk when orced to, but scarcely pausing till day began to dawn. As soon as there was a little light, they turned aside to the creek, where they quenched their thirst, and picked up two stones apiece. A few minutes later they were sitting under a pecan-tree cracking nuts and satisfying their hunger as fast as they could.

breaking clouds, when they got up and started on. Very cautiously they moved now, and they kept looking everywhere. They spoke mostly in Zally led the way to the edge of the prairie, where he was not long in An hour, perhaps, they spent there. The sun was shining, through whispers. They had eaten pecans enough, but were still hungry; And minutes, they discovered some little grapes, small but well-tasted, and finding some black haw bushes, in a thicket. After eating haws a topped off their breakfast with those.

and trudged on. They kept in the woods, but near the edge of the prairie unbounded confidence in the older boy's shrewedness, was well content to "The redskins may be ahead of us by this time, " he said. "And if Their hunger was satisfied now, and both felt much stronger and better. They were very tired, but, after resting half an hour, they got up part of the valley. The half-breed was leading the way. Oscar, who had follow. Zally kept constantly on the alert, his black eyes darting everywhere. he was walking fast, but thinking and planning faster.

they air, we've got to see them before they see us. They've caught us twict when we got away. If they'll do it again it'll be the last. We cain't outrun 'em; we've got to trick 'em. We've got to be sharper'n they air." After traveling several miles, they came to where the creek-valley would gladly have kept on longer, but they could scarcely drag one foot widened out, and was thickly dotted over with thickets. The fugitives

"How many miles do you think we've come, Zally?" inquired Oscar, after the other.

wearily. They were now looking about for a hiding-place. "Twenty five anyhow; maybe thirty. We've not been lettin' the grass grow under our feet, I can tell you. Wisht we could keep right on, but could strike a trot now. Let's find some haws for dinner; then we'll crawl we've jist gotto rest. If I was to see all them red skins comin', doubt if

The haw bushes were soon found, and each broke off some to carry with him. A quarter of a mile farther on they came to a dense thicket of in a hole some'r's, and try to pull the hole in after us." sumacs, covering an acre or more. bunch of 'em to come along yit. We'd better not sleep too sound from

They remained awake for awhile, but drowsmess finally overcame them. Zally was on his guard, however, and slept rather lightly. When the sun was not more than an hour high, he started up at the sound of

Peeping out, he saw two Indians coming, one behind the other. The but rather slowly, and evidently with no little trouble. Not far behind him foremost he recognized as Ishoreyeh. The scar-faced warrior was on foot, and kept his eyes on the ground. He was following the white boys' trail, came the second Indian riding one horse, and leading another.

Sometimes he stood still for a few moments, searching the ground with his eyes before moving on. But the warrior on horseback was looking Ishoreyeh moved slowly by, glancing neither to the right nor to the left. everywhere, and seeing everything.

Not till the savages had passed and were a hundred yards away did "We've got to travel, and travel fast," he said in a whisper. Zally move. Then he quickly shook Oscar awake.

"What's the matter now?" whispered back the drowsy boy. "Matter enough! Jist raise up and peep out yander!"

Oscar looked, and one look was sufficient.

They waited a few minutes, then crawled out of the bushes and gazed all around cautiously. The two Indians were now out of sight among the thickets, and no others could be discovered. After looking and listening, the boys set off at a run toward the woods along the creek.

At the stream they paused long enough to drink. Then they waded a their hands and knees on a fallen tree, being careful not to let their wet hundred yards through some shoal water. Finally they crawled out on feet touch it. After dropping off they fled again, nor did they halt till they had run several miles, and daylight had faded into moonlight. Now they stopped and threw themselves down to rest.

"Old Ishy-what's-his-name has got purty sharp eyes, but ne can't trail us fur by moonlight, I'll bet," Zally remarked, after they had rested enough to talk.

"What shall we do now, Zally?"

"Rest a while longer, then take a new start. We must be so many miles away from here before daylight comes ag'in that that red wolf cain't track us down to-morr',"

"Are we going to keep on west?"

"t've not made up my mind about that. We'd better stick to the woods-some woods. Where the's timber the's plenty to eat, and it's easy to

"Can we find something by moonlight, Zally? I'm half-starved again."

"So am I, Oscar. Yes I beleive we can. Anyhow, we'll try. If we find all we can eat, guess we'd better strike south across the high prairie, and hump ourselves to reach the other creek before daylight. It'll be a long, hard tramp, too."

"Then we'd better eat all we can hold, and carry something with us. A

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"That's where we'll do our restin'," remarked Zally, stopping about twenty yards from the thicket. No, we're not goin' in there jist yet," he hastened to say, when Oscar started toward the bushes.

"Because I've thought of a plan. Them red wolves may be trailin' us this minute, and we've got to be cunnin'er than they air. I'll tell you what I mean before long.",

They moved atong wearily, and after making a circuit of a mile or more of the thickets they once more came back to the big patch of sumacs. But they approached it on the opposite side and made their way through it till they could see out at the side near where they had been before. Then they dropped down on the ground to rest.

"What was the use of all that round? Oscar wanted to know.

Why, aon't you see? Right out there is where we passed. If the reds come they go by, but they can't see us, While they're making that big loop, along trailing us like everybody says they can, we'll see 'em from here as we'll slip out and run for dear life. They can't trail us as fast as we can "That's a good plan Zally, I'm glad you thought of it. But won't one of us have to stay awake to watch?"

"Not for awhile, I think. It'll take the red fellers several hours to trail us as fur as this, if they can trail us; and we can have a good sleep before they come. Don't feel like I could stay awake much longer if Itried."

"Neither do I, Zally."

middle of the afternoon till Zally awoke. Still drowsy, he raised himself Five minutes later both boys were sound asleep. And it was not till the and peeped out through the bushes. The clouds had all disappeared by this time, and the sun was shining brightly, warmly. No Indians were in

While Zally was nibbling at some haws, Oscar awoke. They made another meal of wild fruit. Both were still drowsy, and they did not talk

"No tellin". We may ha' give 'em the slip; 'but its not too late for a "Looks like we got away from 'em doesn't it, Zally?"

ellow gets so weak in the knees when he's hungry."

travel on down this creek tonight, and try the prairie tomorr' night. We If we cain't find enough pecans and things to fill us up, we'll have to cain't foot it across all the stretch of country on empty stomachs, and we "Don't he though? I hain't forgot how it felt last night and never will. won't be fools enough to try to."

Not very much later the two were under a tree at the edge of the woods, crackling and eating pecans. The nuts were so plentiful on the ground that they could easily find them by feeling for them. When they had eaten enough of those, they hunted till they found some grapes.

"Pecans al'ays call for grapes when I'm in the woods," Zally remarked, while they were sitting on the ground, eating from a vine they

nad pulled down.

"These taste good. Let's take some of them with us."

"Yes, that's what we'd better do." Zally broke off a yard of the vine, with numerous bunches of grapes on it, and laid it aside. "If you'll carry this, Oscar, I'll try to find some haws to carry."

"All right. I wish we had some clothes with pockets in 'em. Then we could take-",

"Pockets in our skins!" laughed Zally, though very cautiously. It was he first joke either of them had made for days.

ceald carry some pecans with us. Pecans taste pretty good when a fellow's "I mean I wish we had some clothes with pockets in 'em. Then we

But its not worthwhile for us to start in wishin'. We've got to awful many things "Yes, they do that. They're meat and bread together, to me. to which fur."

"That's right. If wishes were horses, beggars would ride."

"Yes, and so would we."

"Not like we did that other time we ran away. I'd rather be like we are now, even if we haven't any clothes."

"Believe I would too, Oscar. But lets find some haws."

A few minutes' search among the thickets discovered a haw-bush, and Zally broke off a limb. Now they started.

reach, in both directions, he could see it shining, mistily, in the the south, Zally noticed a white limestone ledge outcropping at the top of As they neared the foot of a long hill which here bounded the valley on the hill. It followed the hill in all its windings. As far as his eye could moonlight. The sight of it gave him a new idea. He stopped suddenly.

almost west, directing their course so as to reach the ledge gradually. But After explaining to his fellow fugitive, he turned, and the two tramped scarcely had they scrambled upon it when they turned back and followed For a mile or more they followed it, being careful always to step where

there was no soil. They ran most of the way: For they were now in a very exposed position, especially to anyone in the valley below.

At length they came to where some patches of exposed rock could be seen on their right. Now they turned south and by jumping from white

without touching anything that could receive an impression. Here the rock disappeared. With the longest jumps off into the grass that they spot to white spot, made their way two hundred yards out into the prairie, could take, they set off southward across the moonlit prairie.

"If old Scarface can figure out that trail, he's a good

observed, as they were tramping through the high grass.

"Then we shall not have to hurry much, shall we, Zally?"

smell it out, for all I know. If we can once shake 'em off, and git clean away frum 'em, then we can take things easier. But we'd better hustle When they cain't see a trail, they may sit down on their all fours and "Welf, we'd better do our best. No tellin' what them red niggers can

hunted animals, they turned their eyes everywnere- before, behind, to the right, to the left. Seldom they spoke, and then not much above a On they tramped, the two naked little fellows, as fast as they could. Like whisper. At length'Oscar grew weary.

"Well, jist a little bit. But when I think what's behind us, it kind of -it kind of rests me."

from time to time. A good-sized drove of horses and several bunches of antelopes as well as a few buffaloes, fled from them. They also had glimpses of numerous wolves skulking about through the grass. Most of As the two fugitives hurried along they caught sight of wild animals these were coyotes, or little prairie wolves which kept out of their way. But at length they made the startling discovery that a big timber wolf-so called-was sneaking along about a hundred yards behind them.

At first they tried hurrying, but the beast of prey easily kept his distance. And not only that; they soon became aware that he was slowly closing in upon them. Half an hour after being discovered the wolf was scarcely twenty-five yards behind them. A few minutes later he was not more than half as far. The boys were now going at a trot, and Oscar kept glancing over his shoulder.

"Zally he's about to jump on us!Don't you see he is? What can we

point ahead, visible in the moonlight, and he was hurrying to reach it. At Oscar's cry of alarm he glanced back, but only moved a little faster. By the time they had arrived at the rough ground the wolf was not more than Zally did not reply. For several minutes he had his eyes fixed on a rock a dozen feet behind. Zally dropped his haw branches and snatched up two stones.

hurled a piece of limestone straight at the wolf's head. Oscar was also "Right here we have it out with 'im!" he exclaimed, as he wheeled and arming himself.

snarling and showing his teeth, every hair of his shaggy body on end. But another stone was hurled, this one striking him on the side in spite of his The wolf dodged and leaped back, growling fiercely. Then he stood dodging. He ran a few yards, then turned again. By this time missiles were flying as fast as the boys could snatch them up.

stone- "from redskins", -another stone-"and painters", -another stone -"cand maybe from bears", -another stone-"but we won't run". -- another stone-"from and sich low-down" -another stone-"from and sich low-down" his words with a hurled stone. "We've got to run"-another "Think we're afeard-of sich as you?" Zally exclaimed, punctuating

Zally was angry, and he was making every stone whiz. Some of the missiles went wide of the mark, but fully as many struck the dodging brute. The big wolf was soon in full retreat. The two boys followed him fifty

yards, and Zally another fifty.

"As if we hain't got enough to stand, without bein' pestered by sich as him," the half-breed exclaimed resentfully, as he came back, breathing hard from his exertions.

"I guess we surprised 'im" Oscar remarked. "The things he's been used

to attacking can't throw. What time is it?"

Zally glanced at the stars and the moon. Jist about midnight. And I'm hungry. Let's have a snack before we go on. If that ugly varmint wants any more rocks for supper, here's the place to feed 'em to 'im."

They sat down in some thick grass and ate their haws and grapes. The wolf did not show himself again; and after eating, the pair snuggled down together in the grass to keep warm while they rested. The night felt rather chilly since they had quit walking. Both were soon asleep.

some heavy, dark looking lumps of cloud floating about when they lay down, and these had got together and were threatening a shower. The boys sprang up and hurried on. There were no vines or branches to carry now, They were aroused by the growling of thunder overhead. There had been but both had a stone in each hand, for use if another wolf should manifest

Soon rain began to fall, in scattering drops at first, then thicker and an appetite for human flesh.

that rain, but the fugitives bore it gladly; because Zally expresed the belief that no Indian would be able to follow the trail after the rain had washed it faster, while the lightning gleamed and the thunder rolled. Very cold it felt, out. The rain soon ceased; or rather the boys soon passed out of it. for an hour or two the flashing cloud lay back behind them.

"Washin' it out good and clean," Zally remarked more than once, as he

glanced to the north.

The moon was now very low, having changed from silver to gold; and themselves. They were also anxious to reach timber before daylight came soon it sank below the horizon, leaving the wanderers to be looked after by the stars. Having eaten and taken a nap, Zally and Oscar felt much better. And their wetting and the chilly night air made them walk fast to warm upon them.

Hour after hour, hour after hour, they tramped on resolutely. They were wonderfully encouraged now, feeling sure of what their expedients lacked of throwing the Comanches off the trail the rain, still falling behind them, would more than make up.

trudging on their weary way. They were still out on the wide prairie. As Morning dawned at last, bright and clear, and found the two still

soon as there was light enough they searched the surrounding country with their eyes, but not an Indian or a sign of Indians could they discover. From the next rise, to their great relief, they sighted timber ahead. And half an hour later they entered it. Now they felt comparatively safe.

After drinking at the creek they spent an hour or two satisfying their hunger. There was an abundance of pecans and grapes here; and they also

found some big burr-oak acorns to vary their bill of fare.

When ready to go into hiding that day, they took the same precaution they expected to conceal themselves in, they tramped a big loop and came back to it. Today they took turns at sleeping and remaining awake to that had served them so well the day before. First passing by the thicket, watch. But the day passed and no Indians came.

Not till after sunset did the pair emerge from their hiding place. Then they drank at the creek, made such a supper as the woods afforded, and

set off southward again.

The first two or three miles of their way lay through a dense forest, dark in many places in spite of the moon. They had little to fear from Indians here, but were in constant dread of beasts of prey, especially panthers and bears. No telling from what tree a panther might leap down on their heads. And they were rather relieved when they found themselves at the edge of another prairie.

Frequently, while they were passing through the woods, the squalling of wildcats and other small animals startled them. but just as they emerged upon the prairie they heard a panther scream, not once, but again and again-in all at least a dozen times.

At the first scream the boys broke into a run, and they kept it up till out of hearing. And even after that they glanced over their shoulders every dozen yards or so, to make sure that the beast of prey was not on their trail.

out in the prairie, to rest and sleep till daylight. But they soon became This prairie was only a few miles wide; and Oscar and Zally crossed several small streams and as many narrow strips of timber during the night. They stopped once, not long after midnight, to crack and eat some pecans, and an hour or two before day they lay down in the thick grass, chilled, and had to get up and tramp on to get warm.

three hundred head. Instead of taking to flight, the wild steeds seemed attracted to those nude, white-skinned figures by curiosity. The leader of When daylight dawned, they were still out in the prairie. The sun was ust showing its face when they came upon a big drove of horses-two or the drove, a fine looking sorrel stallion, brought his followers up to within a hundred yards, where they stood gazing with uplifted heads and arching necks. Every nostril seemed to be rasping the air.

Zally and Oscar stood perfectly still, gazing back with covetous eyes at the beautiful animals. They were of all colors and shades of color, those wild steeds; but not an ugly or misshaped could be seen among them.

"Oh, if we jist had two of them there beauties bridled and saddled!" Zally almost groaned. So many horses in this country, and narry a horse to ride! It's terrible aggravatin'.''

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'Got enough of that when I couldn't help myself, I did. Rather walk now. "Believe I don't care to ride any more wild horses," Oscar answered.

I'm getting used to walking."

em. One for you and one for me. Looks like the' ought to be some way to "Well, I got about my fill of straddlin' a new wild horse every mornin'. But I'd be willin' to climb one more- yes, two of 'em if we had ketch 'em, too; but for the life of me I cain't think how."

stallion began to circle round them at a trot. Behind him swept the whole drove, in a long curved string. Oscar was somewhat frightened as, with the roar of many hoofs, the drove kept circling, their speed quickly After gazing and snorting at the boys for a minute or two, the sorrel increasing to a gallop. But Zally reassured himself.

"Easy enough to scatter 'em when we want to. I jist nachelly love to 'em, they look so purty! But guess we'd better be huntin'

timber."

drove flew off at a tangent and went thundering away across the prairie. Long after they were out of sight the noise of their hoofs came He rushed at the leader, waving his arms wildly. At once the strung-out back, gradually dying in the distance.

Zally and Oscar hurried on their way, and soon plunged in some thick thickets, with plenty of haw bushes among them. The boys had just begun to eat when Oscar, hearing a bush shake close by, looked over to woods. After partially satisfying their hunger under a pecan tree, they went on to almost the far edge of the woods, where they came to several another thicket and made a startling discovery. By a well-laden haw bush stood a bear, on his hind feet, doing just what the boys themselves were doing-eating haws.

"Oh, Zally, just look!"

them before, turned his head, still munching his mouthful of haws. At the sight of the intruders he stopped chewing and stood staring. Whether he At the sound of Oscar's voice the bear, which, had probably not seen was angry or only curious Zally and Oscar did not take time to learn.

Away they fled through the woods as fast as their panic-stricken legs least a mile and were out of breath. After recovering from their excitement they found more haws, and also some grapes, and made out could carry them. Nor did they pause for a moment till they had run at their breakfast. But they promptly started again, and kept tramping till they were five or six miles from where they had left the bear.

"Too big for us, that feller! We hain't got no buisness nowheres

Again they chose their thicket to spend the day in; and again they around where he lives," declared Zally.

The sun was not more than two hours above the western horizon when they emerged from their hiding-place. They had eaten nothing since morning, and an hour was spent in satisfying their hunger. Then they set off toward the south again. One more night's travel and they would feel longer trailing them. And they kept no watch during the day.

mere precaution. Both felt well-nigh sure that the Comanches were no

made that safety loop in their trail before entering the thicket. This was a

themselves sate from their pursuers.

Before tramping far they came to a mound, which stood up a hundred feet or more above the surrounding prairie.

"Let's climb up there and take a look," proposed Zally. That's what the Comanches al'ays did, you recollect. If the's any redskins around we ought to ketch a glimpse of 'em; or, anyhow, of their campfire smoke."

# CHAPTER 9

But hadn't we better wait till after dark, Zally? We fook pretty white, naked like we are. An Indian could see us a long distance up there. They're sharp-eyed I guess, those Comanches.

"But we cain't see so well by moonlight. Let's get down and crawl up.

The's grass high enough to hide us."

climbed the lower they crouched, till they were almost flat down in the grass. At length they were lying on top of the mound, which contained about a quarter of an acre. While climbing they had swept the whole They were soon making their way up the steep slope. The higher they region with their eyes, as far around as they could see.

apparently from the foot of the mound itself. By standing they might nave seen the fire from where they were. But they dared not get upon But, on looking over the mound's top toward the country toward the their feet. So they kept crawling till they could look down to where the south, they were startled to see a column of smoke floating skyward,

smoke came from.

had been kindled at the near edge of the strip of woods marking the course of the creek through a prairie valley. Seven Indians could plainly The fire was not by the mound, but at least a half a mile beyond. It be seen at the campfire. But nine horses were tethered along the edge of the woods, above and below the camp.

"Are they after us, do you s'pose, Zally? or are they some other

Zally, peeping down through the grass, did not reply at first. They're too tur away to make shore. But I'd bet sump'in purty they're part of our same big gang,' he finally said. 'Yes, don't you see that calico horse?' don't you recollect? Yes sir! They're some of the same rascals. I don't noticed him in our drive time and ag'in. We talked about 'im one day, believe they've trailed us all the way down here, though. No, of course they didn't, or they'd ha' found us before now. But they're huntin' for us. No much doubt about that. And they've next thing to found us, too, if they only knowed it." Indians?"

"What had we better do, Zally?"

"Lay right tlat where we air till after dark, I guess. Then we'll crawl down and slide from here as fast as two boys ever did. No place for us around here. But don't they make us hump to keep out of their To be continued



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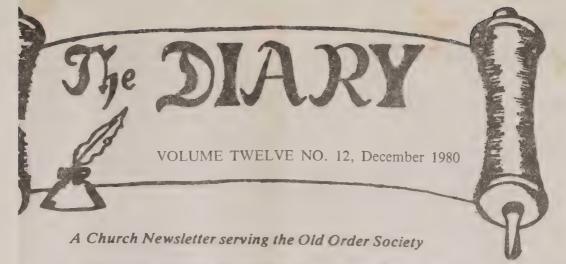
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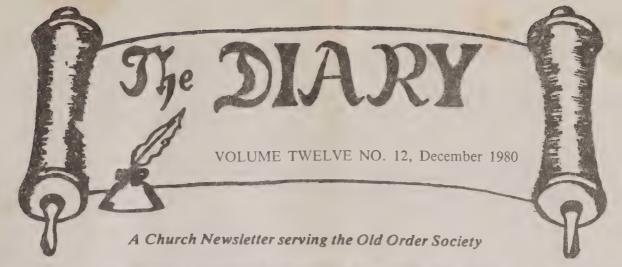


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# **COMMUNITY NOTES**

Boy Hurts Eye - Guthrie, Kentucky

Henry Graber, 14, son of Willie Grabers was hit on the eyelid with a B.B. gun. It didn't go through the lid, but ruptured a blood vessel that bled enough to form a pocket behind the eye. Vision is blocked at this time and unless medication dissolves it they'll need to operate. This was around 4 weeks ago and had to miss school all this while, as he needs to hold still.

Boy Hurt While Siedding - Southern Mercer County, Pennsylvania Paul, 6, son of John D. and Esther J. Byler met with an accident on December 20th while sled riding out their driveway and met an oncoming car. He was taken to Grove City Hospital then to Youngstown in an unconsicious condition. Last reports were a

little better, but still not conscious.

Man Hurt While Sawing Tree - Allen County, Indiana

Aaron Lengacher, 21, #1 New Haven had a small accident while at work. They sawed a tree down which was hollow and saw a coon was in it. He decided to look closer and by putting his face up to it, this caused the log to move and his head was pinched between the ears. He was in the hospital 2 days and had to have some stitches. Is getting along ok.

Buggy Overturns in Runaway - Kokomo, Indiana

December 21st, Elmer R. Ottos and 4 children and Elmers grandparents, the Joas Gingerichs 81 and 78 were one mile near Raymond E. Millers where church services were to be held when a pin sheared that held the surrey tongue to the teams neck yoke. The horses ran into an unfenced hay field turning the buggy on it's side. The horses ran off about ¼ mile, where one horse ran into a large propane tank which stopped them. Elmer Treva had 3 fractured ribs but otherwise nobody was hurt more than bad bruises and a nose bleed. Treva was in the hospital some over a day and the older folks were checked and released.

Man Hurt While Hauling Logs - Wilton, Wisconsin

Clarence J. Miller of Medford, Wisconsin was working for Pre. Dan B. Borntregers and got his leg broken above the knee. He was hauling 3 logs on a wagon. One log was 30 feet long. So they had loaded it so it was to far in front of the wagon which caused it to hit the horses when they went downhill. They started to run which caused the wagon to whip around and threw him. He was knocked out for a while. He was taken to Marshfield, Wisconsin hospital by ambulance. He had his leg in traction for 3 weeks, but is at home and getting along as good as expected.

Car-buggy accident - Amherst, Wisconsin

On the eve of November 20th, Vernon Schmucker was on his way home with team and wagon with a saw rig trailing behind. He stopped and was waiting on traffic to pass over Highway 10 when a car turning off the highway ran head on in his team. The wagon tongue ran in the windshield of the car injuring one of the occupants. Otherwise there were no injuries. Horse weren't injured either. Almost at the same time Toby T. Borntregers attempted in passing a slow moving potatoe truck west of town and were hit head on with an oncoming car. The Mrs. flew over the back of the buggy seat and landed on the blacktop. She hurt her ankle otherwise no serious injuries. 2 of the wheels needed repair.

Community notes - Clark, Missouri

Enos Eicher (cancer victim) was to the state of California to consult a doctor after losing out at home. He became paralized at the time. They did not feel they could help him so a van went out and got him with 2 drivers. (They went out with the train) being a very tiresome trip home. Since he is in bed slowly getting weaker, being paralized from the waist down.

Levi, 2 years and 10 months old, whom had his eyes removed nearly a year ago due to tumors now has a tumor on the brain. He is presently in the hospital. They put a tube in his head to release pressure in his head. He also is not very well. He is the son of Eli C. Yoders. Grandparents are Chris C. Yoders and Tobias Millers.

On December 30th the neighborhood gathered at Eli's to cut wood, husk and shred corn. Joni T. Miller (a bro.-in-law to Eli) was working in the loft and misstepped and fell down a hole. At first it was thought he broke his leg, but later proved to be a badly sprained ankle which will also lay him up a while.

Mrs. John Y. Miller, 80 years old was helping butchering at Henry T. Millers when she slipped and fell and broke her shoulder. 354

This causing her some miserable time. For a time she was not able to lay down, had to spend all her time on a rocker.

Community Note - Branch County, Michigan

David W. Schwartz, 6 week old baby of Willie K. Schwartzs was admitted to Coldwater Hospital on December 4 with vomiting and diarrhea. All kinds of formulas were tried and they still have not come up with anything thaat will agree with him. The most he has weighed yet was 5 lb. 9 oz. He is still in the hospital and is almost 11 weeks old.

Barn Fire - St. Mary's County, Maryland

On Christmas morning around 3:00 a tobacco barn on the Isaac Fisher farm burned down with the tobacco and implements. It was very windy and very cold, the temperature around 12 degrees and dropping. The fire trucks were there before Fishers knew of it. The barn setting off away from other buildings. It must have been lit.

Conewango Valley, New York - Community Notes

Henry J. Miller went in Gowanda Hospital of heart condition

and stayed a few days.

John M. Stutzman, 15, got his right hand in corn husker rolls on December 15th and lost 1 finger and part of another. He was in W.C.A. Hospital in Jamestown till the 19th. We got special inflamation salve and it heals good. Salve made by John Y. Schlabach in Ohio.

Susie, wife of Atlee J. Byler was in Gowanda Hospital for tests and announced cancer in advanced stage and they sent for medicine. She had operated 2 years ago in March for a tumor.

Community Notes - Arthur, Illnois

Mrs. Elva Chupp (deacon) had the misfortune to have a hipbone fracture. She was walking in the house and she thought she felt the bone fracture then fell, she was still in the hospital the last we heard.

Mel A. Kaufman also had the misfortune to have a leg fracture. The small bone above the ankle is fractured. He can get around with the aid of crutches.

Vernon M. Yoder is also getting around on crutches due to a mishap with a chain saw, which jumped and hit his foot causing several cuts. He was in church again on the 28th, but had to miss Sunday before where he had been joining church.

Community Notes - Pawnee City, Nebraska

Chicken pox were in the community among the children in November.

November 30th John Henry, son of Rudy Troyers was taken to the hospital in Pawnee City and that night was taken on to Lincoln by ambulance. His case was pneumonia, acidosis and his blood sugar was a little high. On Wed. P.M. of the same week he was returned to the Pawnee City Hospital, where he remained a patient until the following Monday. December 30th he was again taken to the hospital with breathing difficulties. We hope he may soon be released again.

Community Notes - Anabel, Missouri

Mrs. Levi D. Yoder is still confined in a wheel chair and unable to attend church. She is not at all well at this writing.

Mrs. Neal M. Borntreger was able to attend church again on Christmas Day, since her fall the fore part of Nov.

Mr. and Mrs. Levi Millers of Jamesport, Missouri are staying in this community for the winter month, by his son Chriss. Levi is confined in a wheel chair.

Community Note - Shipshewana, Indiana

Melvin L. Eash, 30, son of Lewis and Susie Lambright (dec.) Eash is in Mayo Clinic, Minnesota trying to get help for his kidneys that function around 20 per cent. He is a diabetic and seems all they have tried has not made any encouraging reports. He is married to Alta, daughter of Joni and Susie Miller who accompanied them to the clinic. While friends and relatives take care of the children. Melvin is also very nearly blind. Let's pray for submission, dedication and strength. Needless to say expenses are high and all help will be appreciated and rightfully used. Address: Melvin L. Eash, R#1, Shipshewana, Indiana, 46565

Community Notes - Haven, Kansas

Our community has been having much sickness in the last month. Mrs. Sam S. Schrock was in the hospital from Dec. 4th to 11th. She had a historectomy and is slowly recovering, is up and is to do some walking.

December 18, Calvin, 18 month old son of Merle H. and Anna

Mae (Petersheim) Bontragers, their youngest son, was admitted to St. Francis Hospital at Wichita with acute Leukemia. Last reports are he is responding to the medication chemo theraphy.

Deacon Ben H. Bontrager had a gall bladder operation and was in the hospital from Dec. 18th to 28th and seems to be gaining

nicely

Mrs. Rudy Bontrager was in Hutch Hospital from Dec. 7th to 19th where tests were taken. She has had much sciatic nerve pains all summer. Has not been in church since Sept. 14th. She did not get much help in hospital excepting stronger pain medication. She was at home again. Dec. 31st she was admitted to Wesley Hospital in Wichita for tests and to see what can be done for her nerves. There they have nerve specialists.

### Community Notes - Windsor, Missouri

Dan Stutzman, a cancer victim, has not been well all summer. He has been bedfast awhile now. He has received many letters and lots of visitors, both of which he enjoys. But had severe stomach pains on Christmas Day. A local nurse, (R. N.) has been administering a medicine to kill the cancer germ via shot form, at the home.

Mrs. Andy Weaver, who also has cancer and used lactrils, said her doctors at Zion, Illinois say they find no trace of cancer in her tests anymore.

# Community Note - Conneautville, Pa.

Mrs. Verna Wengerd (late Andy) the cancer victim hasn't been as well as usual the past week. She had pain and seems to be failing. She has many lonely days. I'm sure she would enjoy a word of cheer from friends. She is in her 70's. Address is R#2, Springboro, Pa.

### Community Notes - Southern Mercer County, Pa.

Wallie R. Byler, age 81, New Wilmington, Pa. was a hospital patient for almost 2 weeks returning home on the 20th. He has leukemia and last reports were he was holding his own.

Mrs. Levi C. Byler (Sarah R. Wengerd) also spent a few days at the hospital. She was found to be low in calcium. Is home again and going.

Jacob D. Mast, age 80, known as lame Jake, hasn't been so well

and is in bed having heart trouble.

Mrs. Nancy B. Yoder is having her ups and downs some days better than others. She is 83 and practically blind so she has some long days. Address is New Wilmington, Pa. R#1.

# Community Notes - Somerset County, Pennsylvania

Aaron, son of John Y. and Sadie Yoder had a very sick spell and was taken to the Meyersdale Community Hospital on December 7th. His condition was due to his heart. He seems to be about back to his normal self again now.

Mrs. Abigail Yoder was also taken to the Meyersdale Hospital this morning due to having a light stroke. She seemed to be

responding to treatment later on. She is 93 years old.

Community Note - Johnson County, Iowa

Edward G. Yoder, 83, returned home from the hospital Friday, the 26th.

Noah M. Yoder, 76, is in nearly a helpless condition for years already, but the children so faithfully take care of him, he can't talk, only once in a while a word.

Community Note - Orrville, Ohio

Bishop Roman S. Yoder, #3 Orrville had a heart attack of Nov. 28th. He was in the hospital but is home again. His wife Mary (Gingerich) is also in the hospital the second time with cancer.

Community Note - Mifflin County, Pennsylvania

Linda, 15 month old daughter of Norman and Nancy (Peachey) Yoder, did not have spinal meningitis, only meningitis and recovered much faster than doctors expected. She was in the hospital 13 days. She seems to be completely recovered, but is to report for a hearing test yet.

Community Notes - Etna Green, Indiana

On December 6, there was a Schwartz family get together at Joe H. Schwartz's for the 90th birthday of John L. Schwartz, his family were all present but 1 daughter and his brothers and sister all but 1 brother from Berne, Indiana. There were close to 100 there for the noon meal. He gets around real good for his age. He cannot hear nor see too good anymore. But stays alone in his home yet.

Dan V. Yoder spent Christmas dinner in his home with his family. He is in the Fountain View place at Elkhart, Indiana, for his health.

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# Conewango Valley, New York

Hostetler, Ervin E. (Tena L. Miller) a dau. Betty, Dec. 21 Miller, Andy D. (Mary A. Miller) a dau. Amanda, Dec. 21 Miller, Dan E. E. (Dora N. Raber) A dau. Amanda, Dec. 24 Miller, John E. (Sarah J. Miller) a dau. Edna, Dec. 14

## Prattsburg, New York

Troyer, Amos D. (Fany H. Troyer) a son Enos, Nov. 18

## Norfolk, New York

Schmucker, Alvin E. (Esther Delagrange) a son David, Nov. 16 Schwartz, Ben (Martha Delagrange) a son John, Nov. 10

# Brush Valley [Centre County], Pennsylvania

Fisher, John G. (Annie Stoltzfus) Rebersburg, a dau. Lena, Dec. 19

# Montour County, Pennsylvania

Beiler, Aaron (Bertha Fisher) #1 Milton, a dau. Rachel, Nov. 24

# Dauphin County, Pennsylvania

Stoltzfus, Christ (Amanda Esh) Elizabethville, a dau. Lydia.

# Lebanon County, Pennsylvania

Beiler, Elias (Sarah Stoltzfus) #1 Lebanon, a son Melvin, Dec. 2 Esh, Mr. and Mrs. Israel, a son Urie, April 29.

Kauffman, Emanuel S. (Katie Fisher) #2 Myerstown, a dau. Mary, Dec. 17

Yoder, Leroy (Annie Lapp) #1 Lebanon, a dau. Annie, Dec. 7

# Lancaster County, Pennsylvania

Allgyer, David B. (Rebecca Stoltzfus) R#2, New Providence, a dau. Rachel S., Dec. 3

Beiler, Amos E. (Sally S. Smucker) #2 Narvon, a son David S., Dec. 9

Beiler, Amos E. (Rachel K. Lapp) #1 Kirkwood, a son Bennie L., Dec. 8

Beiler, Amos K. (Naomi Glick) #2 Narvon, a son Steven L., Dec. 30

Beiler, Enos L. (Sadie Zook) Leola, a son Amos Z., Dec. 27

Beiler, Ira S. (Malinda Fisher) #1 Paradise, a son Jacob, Dec. 17

Beiler, John J. (Rebecca Stoltzfus) Leola, a son Melvin, Dec. 6

Beiler, Stephen K. (Barbara Fisher) #1 Ronks, a son Elam S., Dec 18

Blank, Christ (Susie Zook) #1 Kinzers, twin sons Eli Z. and Elmer Z., Dec. 11

Blank, Henry K. (Susie B. Yoder) #1 Christiana, a son Henry K. Jr., Dec. 8

Blank, Isaac K. (Ada Lapp) #1 Kinzers, a son Reuben L., Dec. 10 Esh, Daniel A. (Naomi Stoltzfus) #2 Narvon, a son Mahlon Jay, Dec

Esh, Henry P. (Katie E. King) #1 Strasburg, a son Henry K., Dec.

Fisher, David S. (Rebecca Stoltzfus) #1 Ronks, a son Henry K., Dec. 27

Fisher, Jacob M. (Ariana S. Glick) #2 Oxford, a dau. Mary G., Dec.

Fisher, John S. (Sarah L. Fisher) #1 Ronks, a son Elam, Dec. 15

Fisher, Levi (Naomi Fisher) #1 Kinzers, a dau., Dec. 5

Glick, David (Mary Blank) Lancaster, a dau. Katie Ann, Dec. 12

Glick, Eli S. (Annie Esh) #1 Leola, a son, Dec. 30

Kauffman, Bennie (Arie E. Fisher) #1 Christiana, a son Stevie F., Dec. 23

King, Aaron G. (Annie Beiler) Lancaster, a son Aaron, Dec. 9

King, David K. (Anna Lapp) Lititz, a dau Emma, Dec. 22

King, David S. (Martha Knepp) #1 Kinzers, a son, Dec. 1

King, Enos B. (Sarah Zook) Lancaster, a dau. Sylvia, Nov. 29

King, Gideon (Sarah King) #1 Ronks, a dau. Rebecca, Dec. 19

King, Omer B. (Anna Zook) Lancaster, a dau. Emma G., Dec. 16 Lantz, Ammon (Amanda Stoltzfus) #4 Lititz, a son Ammon Jr.,

Lapp, Amos (Sadie Smucker) #1 Gap, a son Samuel Jay, Dec. 15

Lapp, Amos K. (Naomi Esh) Ronks, a son Samuel E., Dec. 28

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Petersheim, Emanuel K. (Annie Stoltzfus) #1 Paradise, a dau. Emma S., Dec. 12

Petersheim, Stephen M. (Mary Riehl) #2 Narvon, a dau. Becky R.,

Dec. 26

Riehl, Ephraim (Malinda Stoltzfus) #1 Kinzers, a son Elam, Dec. 23 Smucker, Eli (Betty Stoltzfus) #2 Narvon, a son, Dec. 12

Stoltzfus, Amos F. (Fannie Stoltzfus) #3 Lititz, a son Jacob S., Nov. 6 Stoltzfus, Aquilla R. (Anna Mary Stoltzfus) #1 Kinzers, a son Emanuel Lee, Dec. 21

Stoltzfus, Christian F. (Mary S. Zook) #1 Kinzers, a dau. Sara Z., Dec. 6

Stoltzfus, Daniel K. (Hannah Lapp) Gordonville, a son Paul Jason, Dec. 1

Stoltzfus, David R. (Barbara Riehl) Narvon, a son David Ray Jr., Dec. 17

Stoltzfus, Elam (Linda S. Allgyer) #2 Narvon, a dau. Susie, Dec. 20 Stoltzfus, Ephraim (Sadie E. Fisher) Lancaster, a son Daniel A. Dec. 7 Stoltzfus, Isaac E. (Barbara K. Fisher) #2 Nottingham, a dau. Dec. 31 Stoltzfus, Isaac L. (Mary Beiler) #1 Ronks, a son Stephen, Nov. 9 Stoltzfus, J. Ervin (Susan Fisher) Ronks, a dau. Martha, Dec. 24

Stoltzfus, John (Emma Esh) #1 Christiana, a son John E., Dec. 7 Stoltzfus, Samuel J. (Mary B. Fisher) #2 Honey Brook, a son Daniel F., Dec. 16

Stoltzfus, Stephen J. (Fannie Beiler) Gordonville, a son Levi Daniel, Dec. 27

Zook, Ammon K. (Katie B. Stoltzfus) #1 Oxford, a son Isaac S. Dec. 12 Zook, Daniel B. (Ruth Lantz) Gordonville, a son Ivan L., Dec. 24 Zook, Isaac (Rachel Fisher) #1 Christiana, a dau. Elizabeth, Dec. 10

# St. Marys County, Maryland

Hostetler, Sam (Sallie Stoltzfus) Charlotte Hall, a son Moses, Dec. 2 Lee, Gideon (Mary Yoder) Mechanicsville, a dau. Emma, Dec. 3 Stoltzfus, Ben L. (Mary Hostetler) Mechanicsville, a son Moses, Dec

Stoltzfus, Samuel U. (Katie Hertzler) Mechanicxsville, a dau. Sarah, Dec. 5

Stoltzfus, Yonie (Malinda Byler) Mechanicsville, a dau. Mary, Dec. 14 Swarey, Mose (Nancy Zook) Charlotte Hall, a son Isaac, Dec. 1

# Dover, Delaware

Byler, Henry D. (Mary Ann Byler) #2 Dover, a dau. Miriam, Dec. 20 Mast, David J. (Neoma Troyer) #2 Dover, a son Gary, Dec. 31 Miller, Ammon H. (Mary Troyer) #2 Dover, a son Andy, Dec. 16 Yoder, Jonas E. (Lena Mast) #1 Hartley, a son Ervin, Dec. 19

# York County, Pennsylvania

Beiler, Ben (Priscilla Beiler) a dau. Katie, Dec. 8

# Southern Snyder County, Pennsylvania

Troyer, Cornelius S. (Esther Graber) a son David, Dec. 14

# Juniata County, Pennsylvania

Kanagy, Rufus R. (Barbara Blank) #2 Mifflintown, a dau. Christina, Dec. 27

Peachy, Aquillas S. (Barbara Weaver) #2 Mcalisterville, a dau. Cathryn, Dec. 19

# Mifflin County, Pennsylvania

Kanagy. David (Dorothy Zook) Belleville, a dau. Julia, Dec. 2 Swarey, David M. (Katie Yoder) Allensville, a son Enos, Dec. 2 Swarey, Jacob C. (Susan Peachey) Belleville, a dau. Susan, Dec. 30 Wengerd, Samuel (Hettie M. Peachey) Belleville, a son Enos, Dec. 17 Yoder, Rudy (Annie Peachey) Belleville, dau. Lena, Dec. 2

# Perry County, Pennsylvania

Stoltzfus, Vernon B. (Barbara Fisher) a dau. Sarah, Dec. 27

## Franklin County, Pennsylvania

Byler, Gideon (Linda Kauffman) #1 Orrstown, a dau. Laura Ann. Flaud, David E. (Sarah Lee) Newburg, a son Stephen Ray, Dec. 12 Kauffman, Melvin S. (Anna Mary Flaud) #1 Newburg, a son Daniel F., Dec. 25

Lapp, John E. (Susie Esh) Newburg, a son Daniel Mark, Dec. 30

# Gettysburg, Pennsylvania

Stoltzfus, Levi M. (Martha J. Stoltzfus) #9 Gettysburg, a dau. Susan Mae. Dec. 7

# Smicksburg, Pennsylvania

Byler, Mr. and Mrs. Henry E., a son John, Jan. 29

Byler, Mr. and Mrs. John A., a son Noah, Nov 16 Byler, Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan J., a son Bennie, Oct 5 Byler, Mr. and Mrs. Loren M., a son Ella, June 11 Byler, Mr. and Mrs. Menno A., a dau. Clara, Dec 1 Byler, Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Jr., a dau, Clara, Nov 14 Keim, Mr. and Mrs. Dan M., a dau Mary, Feb 25 Kuhns, Mr. and Mrs. Manas C., a dau. Emma, May 9 Kuhns, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin J., a son Daniel, Feb 16 Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Jr., a son Amos, May 22 Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Allen A. Jr., a dau Clara, Nov 28 Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Allen A., a son Ervin, Jan Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Allen W., a dau Martha, May 9 Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Ben A., a dau Dec 28 Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Crist E. C., a son Marvin, Sept 15 Miller, Dan (Lorina), a son Eli, Sept 29 Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Dan E., a dau Clara, Aug Miller, Mr. and Mrs. David A., a dauFannie, Oct 17 Miller, Mr. and Mrs. David E., a dau Barbara, Mar 28 Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Ervin W., a dau Lizzie, Dec Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Jake E. a dauBarbara, July 30 Miller, Mr. and Mrs. John A., a dau Clara, Dec 22 Miller, Mr. and Mrs. John Jr., a son Daniel, May 19 Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin E., a son Andy, Oct 14 Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Milo L., a son Ervin, Sept 16 Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Owen A., twin sons, Dan and Ben, Apr 22 Schlabach, Mr. and Mrs. Dan J., a dau Emma, June 5 Schlabach, Mr. and Mrs. John Jr., a dau Mary Ann, Aug 7 Schlabach, Mr. and Mrs. John R., a son Bennie, Feb 18 Schlabach, Mr. and Mrs. Roman J., a son Jerry, Aug 18 Schmucker, Mr. and Mrs. Mose V., a son Neil, Feb Troyer, Mr. and Mrs. Crist M., a dau Clara, Dec Troyer, Mr. and Mrs. David C., a dau Alma, July 17 Troyer, Mr. and Mrs. Ervin M., a son Roman, Apr Troyer, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Jr., a dauSara, Aug 15 Troyer, Mr. and Mrs. Mose C., a dau Anna, July 2 Weaver, Mr. and Mrs. Levi A., a son Harvey, June 9 Yoder, Mr. and Mrs. Freeman M., a dau Jemima, Aug Yoder, Mr. and Mrs. John M., a son Danny, Sept 28 , Mr. and Mrs. Andy J., a dau Sara, May 31

# Somerset County, Pennsylvania

Kinsinger, David A. (Amanda Summy) Salisbury, a dau. Katie, Dec. 18

# Southern Mercer County, Pennsylvania

Hostetler, Ben E. (Mattie J. Byler) #1 New Wilmington, a son Eli, Dec 15

Hostetler, Alvin D. (Mattie J. Mast) #2 New Wilmington, a dau. Dec. 27

Kurtz, Yost S. (Lizzie S. Byler) #3 New Wilmington, a dau. Dorothy, Dec. 17

Mast, Aden A. (Mary D. Kurtz) #1 New Wilmington, a son Stephen, Dec. 19

Mast, Eli B. (Katie D. Kurtz) #1 New Wilmington, a son John, Dec. 19

# Mercer County, Pennsylvania

Byler, Albert Jr. (Linda Yoder) a son**Marvin**, Dec. 21 Troyer, Crist (Ella) a dau. **Esther**, Nov. 4

# Wayne County, Ohio

Yoder, David R. (Mary Miller) Orrville, a son Martin Eli, Dec. 17

# Holmes County, Ohio

Chupp, Aden (Amanda Mast) Berlin, a dau. Laura, Nov. 20 Miller, Henry E. B. (Ina Yoder) #3 Millersburg, a dau. Fannie, Dec. 6 Miller, Marty R. (Emma Miller) #1 Frederickstown, a dau. Mary, Dec.

Miller, Roy A. (Ida Miller) Charm, a dau. Rhoda, Dec. 19 Miller, Roy D. (Martha Stutzman) a dau. Susan, Dec. 4

Miller, Wayne R. (Sarah Swartzentruber) R5 Millersburg, a dau. Clara, Dec. 5

Miller, Wayne (Sarah Yoder) #3 Fresno, a dau. Erma, Dec. 19

Petersheim, Jacob N. (Deliha Swartzentruber) a son Peter, Nov. 29 Raber, Crist L. (Ida Yoder) #3 Fresno, a son.

Troyer, Ben J. (Esther Miller) #1 Baltic, a son, Dec. 25

Yoder, Eli J. (Mary Yoder) #1 Big Prairie, a son Urie, Dec. 30 Yoder, Mose (Anne Miller) #2 Millersburg, a son David, Dec. 19 Yoder, Robert E. (Freida Troyer) #2 Sugar Creek, a son Mark, Dec. 8 Yoder, Roy O. (Edna Mast) #5 Millersburg, a dau. Leanna, Dec. 4

# Frederickstown, Ohio

Glick, David (Mattie Wengerd) a dau. Wilma, Dec. 2

# Hicksville, Ohio

Raber, Henry (Miriam Stoll) a dau. Fannie Rose, Nov. 2 Yoder, Melvin (Lydia Mae Bontrager) a dau. Naomi, Nov. 4

# Adams County, Indiana

Neuenschwander, Jonas (Katie E. Wickey) Monroe, a dau. Leah, Dec. Schwartz, Ben H. (Emma E. Girod) Monroe, a son Ben, Nov 29 Schwartz, Chris Q. (Rosie U. Schwartz) Geneva, a son Samuel, Nov. Schwartz, John K. (Anna A. Hilty) Monroe, a dau. Anita, Dec. 5 Schwartz, John P. (Rachel Graber) Geneva, a son Amos, Dec. 7 Schwartz, Noah M. (Clara Yoder) Geneva, a son Menno, Dec. Schwartz, Paul H. (Amanda M. Shetler) Monroe, a son Henry, Dec. 11

# LaGrange County, Indiana

Eash, Jacob (Fannie Graber' 32 Topeka, a son Wilbur Jay, Nov 23 Hershberger, Olen (Carolyn Mast), LaGrange, a child, Dec. 13 Hochstedler, Wesley (Mary Hochstedler) #5 LaGrange, a dau. Fannie W., Nov. 27

 Jones, Larry (Elizabeth Gingerich) Ligonier, a dau<br/>. Darla Marie, Dec.  $8\,$ 

Kaufman, David (Mary Miller) LaGrange, a dau. Loretta Fern, Dec. 5 Lehman, Ernest (Linda Jones) #2 LaGrange, a child, Dec. 8 Miller, Calvin A. (Marilyn Miller) #4 LaGrange, a son Loren LaMar,

Nov. 28 Miller, Chris (Lorene Yoder) #2 Shipshewana, a son **Orland Dale**, Dec.

Petersheim, Elva (Lydia Miller) #2 Topeka, a son Ezra E., Nov. 30 Raber, Harvey (Mary Beechy) Topeka, a dau. Ruth, Dec. 15 Yoder, Raymond (Mary Alice Bontrager) a child, Nov. 28

# **Daviess County, Indiana**

Graber, Lewis Jr. (Wilma Raber) Odon, a son Loren Jay, Dec. 11 Kemp, Amos (Naomi Wittmer) Loogootee, a son Amos Jr., Dec. 24 Knepp, Alva L. (Mary Ruth Wagler) Montgomery, a dau. Dana Darlene, Dec. 24

Knepp, Joseph (Fannie Marie Knepp) Montgomery, a son Jason Ray, Dec. 5

Miller, Dennis (Rosanna Yoder) Montgomery, a son, Dec. 18

Raber, Lloyd (Keturah Kemp) Loogootee, a dau. Marilyn Rose, Dec. 16

Raber, Wilmer D. (Lovina Wagler) Montgomery, a son Larry Dale, Dec. 5

Wagler, Wallace (Leah Knepp) Montgomery, a son Jonathan Dale, Dec. 17

# Nappanee, Indiana

Borkholder, Alvin D. (Ruth Ann Schwartz) a dau. Rebecca, Dec. 13 Miller, Marlin (Sherry Hochstetler) a son Andrew, Dec. Schmucker, Marion (Frieda Miller) a dau. Virginia, Dec. 20 Weaver, Mervin Jay (Joan Schmucker) a dau. Reatha Dawn, Nov. 27 Yutzy, John (Malinda Raber) a son Earl, Dec. 25

# Etna Green, Indiana

Miller, Glenn (Mary Mast) a son Ervin, Nov. 22 Schwartz, Allen (Mary Ellen Hochstetler) a dau. Kristine, Dec. 14

## Arthur, Illinois

Gingerich, Willard (Elsie Miller) a dau. Marylinn Jean, Dec. 14 Otto, David (Marilyn Kaufman) a son Daniel, Dec. 22

# Allen County, Indiana

Hilty, Jacob (Malinda Schwartz) a son Leon, Nov. 28 Lengacher, David (Leah Steury) a son Victor, Nov. 30 Schwartz, Rudy (Lydiann Schwartz) a son David, Dec. 15

# Buchanan County, Iowa

Helmuth, William (Katie Raber) Hazleton, a dau. Dec. Miller, Noah (Mary Shetler) Hazleton, a son Jacob, Nov. Yoder, David (Irene Beechy) Hazleton, a son Allen, Dec. 9

# Johnson County, Iowa

Miller, Ephraim (Verbe Gingerich) a son Jason, Nov. 29 Yoder, Vernon (Inez Kauffman) a dau. Regina, Nov. 28

# Guthrie, Kentucky

Miller, Abe (Esther Yoder) a dau. Mary Alice, Nov. 26

# Ethridge, Tennessee

Gingerich, Emanuel E. (Mary Yoder) a son Enos, Dec. 28 Yoder, Daniel M. (Lizzie Gingerich) a son Joni, Dec. 6 Yoder, Ura M. (Lydia Yoder) a dau. Elizabeth, Dec. 5

#### Pike County, Missouri

Burkholder, Simon C. (Naomi Lee) a son Johnny, Nov. 30 Eicher, Noah (Clara Miller) a son Willie, Dec. 12 Lee, Noah A. (Emma Schwartz) a dau. Mary, Dec. 17

#### Anabel, Missouri

Borntreger, Eli A. (Anna Beachy) Anabel, a dau. Martha, Dec. 16

# Audrian County, Missouri

Beachy, Jacob (Mary Miller) Clark, a son Jonas, Dec. 4 Borntreger, Benjamin M. (Katie Gingerich) Madison, a son Joe, Nov. 29

Miller, David J. (Millie Miller) Clark, a son Joe, Nov. 26 Miller, Henry (Anna Miller) Madison, a dau. Clara, Dec. 6

# Jamesport, Missouri

Beechy, Delbert L. (Susan Troyer) a son Glen, Dec. 27 Kauffman, Amos L. (Annie Miller) a son Norman, Dec. 20 Mast, Joe L. (Mary Bontrager) a dau. Carol, Dec. 22

# Marshfield, Missouri

Yoder, Ruben (Mary Yoder), a son Mosie. Dec. 25 Harmony, Minnesota

Hershberger, Levi (Precilla Miller), a son Eli, November 1

# St. Charles, Minnesota

Yoder, David J. (Ada Shetler) a son Levi, Dec. 2

### Blair, Wisconsin

Yoder, Melvin (Mary Mast) a dau. Clara, Nov. 7

# Bronson, Michigan

Stutzman, Levi (Esther Graber) a dau. Fanny, Dec. 23

Branch County, Michigan

Borntreger, Amos A. (Emma N. Schwartz) a son Amos, Nov. 27 Eicher, Emanuel B. (Elizabeth A. Schwartz) Montgomery, a dau. Amelia, Dec. 10

# St. Marys, Ontario

Hochstetler, Levi A. (Emma Yoder) R#4 St. Marys, a dau. Nettie, Oct. 16

# **BAPTISMS**

# Lancaster County, Pennsylvania

Quarryville District

September 14, by John K. Beiler

Amos, son of Amos and Rachel (Fisher) King
Elam, son of John K. and Mary (Esch) Beiler
Elmer, son of John K. and Mary (Esch) Beiler
John, son of Mike and Sadie (Miller) Esh
Amos, son of Amos K. and Fannie (Esh) Beiler
Fannie, daughter of Amos L. and Rachel (King) Stoltzfus
Hannah, daughter of Mose K. and Annie (Fisher) Glick
Rachel, daughter of John L. and (dec.) Sarah (Fisher) Stoltzfus
Nancy, daughter of Jacob and Mary (Stoltzfus) King
Annie, daughter of David and Mary (King) Fisher

Smicksburg, Pennsylvania

Trade City, West District
Albert, son of Crist Troyer.
Alma, daughter of Joe Kuhns.
Middle District

Lydia, daughter of Mrs. Andy Byler. Jemima, daughter of Mrs. Mahlon Yoder. Ambrose District

Menno, son of Ervin Hochstetler.

Andy, son of Ben Shetler. Clara, daughter of Mrs. Allen D. J. Miller.

Ada, daughter of Dan D. Miller. West District

Joe, son of John D. Miller.
Jake, son of Roman Schlabach.

Joe, son of Andy Coblentz.
Dan Jr., son of Dan U. Miller.
Jonas Sommers Jr.
Joseph Byler Jr.
Ervin Schlabach Jr.
South District
Lester, son of John Schmucker
Chester, son of John Schmucker.
John Henry, son of John M. L. Miller.

Clark, Missouri

North District

Dec. 21, by Bishop Andrew E. Gingerich. Anna, daughter of Jonas V. and Anna Gingerich.

# **MARRIAGES**

Conewango Valley, New York

Slabaugh, Hostetler - Lewis, son of Dan A. and Mattie Slabaugh to Frany, daughter of Josie Z. and Anna Hostetler, Dec. 23, by Atlee Y. Miller.

Wengerd, Slabach - Jacob, son of Noah J. and Lizzie Wengerd to Mary, daughter of Dan A. and Mattie Slabaugh, Dec. 18.

# Lancaster County, Pennsylvania

Allgyer, Stoltzfus - Henry, son of Elam S. and Rachel K. (Blank) Allgyer, New Providence R#2, to Arie E. Stoltzfus, daughter of Amos L. and Katie S. (Esh) Stoltzfus, Kinzers R#1, Oct. 30, 1980, by David K. Blank.

Beiler, Esh - Aaron F., son of Eli S. and Mary F. (Beiler) Beiler, Gordonville, to Mary Ann Esh, daughter of Samuel A. and Mary S. (Smucker) Esh, Paradise R#1, December 9, 1980, by Jonathan F. King.

Beiler, Fisher - Stephen K., son of Jonas S. and Mark K. (King) Beiler, Ronks R#1, to Barbara L. Fisher, daughter of Daniel S. and Rachel S. (Fisher) Fisher, Christiana R#1, Nov. 18, 1980, by Henry S. Fisher.

Beiler, King - Aaron, son of David B. and Lizzie S. (Stoltzfus) Beiler, Lancaster, to Katie P. King, daughter of Daniel F. and Barbara F. (Petersheim) King, Strasburg, Nov. 13, 1980, by Christ B. Riehl.

Beiler, King - Jacob E., son of John K. and Anna Mary (Esh) Beiler, Quarryville R#3, to Lizzie Z. King, daughter of Joseph B. and Lydia Z. (Zook) King, Lancaster, Nov. 18, 1980, by John K. Beiler

Beiler, King - Omar K. Jr., son of Omar K. and Anna B. (Blank) Beiler, Leola, to Nancy K. King, daughter of David B. and Ada R. (King) King, Bird-in-Hand, Nov. 6, 1980, by John L. Stoltzfus

Beiler, Lapp - Amos K., son of Samuel H. and Lydia G. (King)Beiler, Bird-in-Hand R#1, to Sarah K. Lapp, daughter of John E. and Malinda S. (King) Lapp, Gordonville, Oct. 30, 1980, by Ezra H. Beiler.

Beiler, Lapp - Menno Z., son of Jacob B. and Lydiann (Zehr) Beiler, Ronks, to Lydia J. Lapp, daughter of Ben K. and Verna (Stoltzfus) Lapp, Gap R#1, Nov. 13, 1980, by Christian Schmucker.

Beiler, Stoltzfoos - Daniel, son of Aaron S. and Mary K. (King) Beiler, McVeytown R#2, to Esther Stoltzfoos, daughter of Wilmer S. and Lydia S. (Fisher) Stoltzfoos, Leola, Oct. 25, 1980, by Samuel S. Stoltzfus.

Beiler, Stoltzfus - Abner A., son of Amos K. and Fannie K. (Esh) Beiler, Quarryville R#3, to Arie S. Stoltzfus, daughter of Daniel L. and Katie E. (Smucker) Stoltzfus, Bird-in-Hand R#1, Dec. 9, 1980, by Christ B. Riehl.

Blank, Esh - John G., son of John K. and Barbara S. (Glick) Blank, Christiana R#2, to Susan S. Esh, daughter of Benuel F. and Rebecca L. (Stoltzfus) Esh, Peach Bottom, Nov. 20, 1980, by David K. Blank.

Blank, Lapp - Sylvan M., son of Henry L. and (deceased) Malinda (Kauffman) Blank, New Holland R#3, to Elizabeth K. Lapp, daughter of Jacob L. and Mary (King) Lapp, Ronks, Nov. 11 1980 by John L. Stoltzfus.

ank. Lapp - Jacob K. Jr., son of (deceased) Jacob K. Sr. and Katie B. (Fisher) Blank, Kinzers R#1, to Rebecca K. Lapp, daughter of Gideon F. and Elizabeth L. (King) Lapp, Ronks, Nov. 18, 1980, by David K. Blank.

Blank, Zook - Eli K., son of Moses K. and Fannie B. (Kauffman) Blank, Gap R#1, to Lizzie A. Zook, daughter of Amos Z. and Emma S. (Allgyer) Zook, Gap R#1, Nov. 11, 1980, by Moses K. Blank.

Ebersol, Beiler - Amos Z., son of David F. and Annie B. (Zook) (deceased), Gap, to Naomi L. Beiler, daughter of David L. (deceased) and Bena S. (Lapp) Beiler, New Holland R#3, Nov. 11, 1980, by Stephen U. Zook.

Esch, Stoltzfus - Elam M., New Providence, to Annie Stoltzfus,

Nov. 4, married by Samuel J. Stoltzfus.

Esh, King - David K., son of Jesse S. and Fannie K. (King) Esh, Gordonville, to Sadie Mae King, daughter of John K. and Lovina E. (Stoltzfus) King, Gap R#1, Nov. 27, 1980, by Gideon King.

Esh, Ebersol - Christian K., son of Amos G. and Katie B. (Huyard) Esh, Gordonville, to Verna B. Ebersol, daughter of Isaac F. and Rebecca B. (Beiler) Ebersole, (deceased) Lancaster, Nov. 20, 1980, by Amos G. Esh.

Esh, King - Amos R., son of Daniel S. and Elizabeth R. (Stoltzfus) Esh, to Sarah Marie King, daughter of Daniel E. and Mary (Lapp) King, New Holland R#3, Nov. 4, 1980, by Amos E. King.

Esh, King - Daniel P., son of John E. and Mary F. (Petersheim) Esh, Gordonville, to Verna Mae King, daughter of Jacob S. and Sarah E. (Fisher) King, Leola, Nov. 20, 1980, by Christ S. Riehl.

Esh, Stoltzfus - Amos E., son of Jonathan S. and Annie (Beiler) Esh, Christiana R#1, to Malinda S. Stoltzfus, daughter of Joseph S. and Fannie S. (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus, Kinzer R#1, Oct. 30, 1980, by Melvin N. Miller.

Fisher, Esh - Levi Z., son of Henry F. and Mary (Stoltzfus) Fisher, Paradise, to Sarah E. Esh, daughter of Christian G. and Malinda K. (Esh) Esh, Gordonville, Nov. 6, 1980, by Amos S. Land

Fisher, Fisher - Elam S., son of Daniel S. and Rachel S. (Fisher) Fisher, Christiana, to Sally K. Fisher, daughter of John L. and Rebecca S. (King) Fisher, Honey Brook R#3, Nov. 25, 1980, by Daniel S. Fisher.

Fisher, Fisher - Israel S., son of Aaron S. and Rachel S. (Stoltzfus) Fisher, Paradise, to Savilla K. Fisher, daughter of Ben S. and Susie S. (King) Fisher, Paradise R#2, Nov. 18, 1980, by Henry L. Stoltzfus.

Fisher, Glick - Amos G., son of Amos S. and Lydia S. (Stoltzfus) Fisher, Myerstown R#2, to Katie F. Glick, daughter of John D. and Rebecca K. (Fisher) Glick, Paradise, Dec. 2, 1980, by Gideon King.

Fisher, Kauffman - David S., son of Henry S. and Sadie (Smucker) Fisher, Paradies R#2, to Rebecca S. Kauffman, daughter of John S. and Emma L. (Stoltzfus) Kauffman, Christiana R#1, Nov. 4, 1980, by Henry S. Fisher.

Fisher, King - David S., son of Elmer B. and Sarah M. (Stoltzfus) Fisher, Ronks, to Emma S. King, daughter of Jonas S. and Rebecca (Stoltzfus) King, Gordonville, Nov. 13, 1980, by Enos Esh.

Fisher, King - John E., son of Amos C. and Rachel S. (Miller) Fisher, Gordonville, to Anna Mary King, daughter of Jacob Z. and Emma E. (Glick) King, Lancaster, Dec. 4, 1980, by Amos G. Esh.

Fisher, King - Levi K., son of Ben S. and Susie S. (King) Fisher, Paradise R#2, to Annie K. King, daughter of Ammon K. and Sarah F. (Huyard) King, Christiana R#1, Nov. 11, 1980, by Amos G. Esh.

Fisher, Lantz - David F., son of Levi H. and Rebecca L. (Fisher) Fisher, Lancaster, to Mary Ellen Lantz, daughter of Ben S. and Mary E. (Kauffman) Lantz, Paradise R#1, Dec. 11, 1980, by John K. Beiler.

Fisher, Stoltzfus - Daniel K., son of John L. and Rebecca S. (King) Fisher, Honey Brook R#3, to Martha F. Stoltzfus, daughter of Abner F. and Mary B. (Fisher) Stoltzfus, Quarryville R#3, Nov. 20, 1980, by Elam P. Kauffman.

Fisher, Stoltzfus - Stephen S., son of Levi S. and Sarah A. (Stoltzfus) Fisher, Paradise, to Lydia E. Stoltzfus, daughter of Samuel L. and Malinda K. (Esh) Stoltzfus, Bird-in-Hand R#1, Nov. 11, 1980, by Henry S. Fisher.

Flaud, Stoltzfus - Abram Eby, son of Emanuel J. and Barbara F. (Beiler) Flaud, Bird-in-Hand, to Priscilla B. Stoltzfus, daughter of Samuel K. and Naomi L. (Beiler) Stoltzfus,

Gordonville, Nov. 27, 1980, by Amos G. Esh.

Glick, Beiler - David S., son of David W. and Sarah S. (Stoltzfus) Glick, Lancaster, to Ruth K. Beiler, daughter of Jacob F. and Katie S. (Kauffman) Beiler, Kinzers R#1, Nov. 18, 1980, by John F. Glick.

Glick, Beiler - Reuben K., son of Ephraim J. and Fannie L. (King) Glick, Gordonville, to Priscilla S. Beiler, daughter of Elam F. and Susie F. (Stoltzfus) Beiler, Nov. 25, 1980, by

Jonathan F. King.

Glick, Esh - David Z., son of David R. Jr. and Rachel (Zook) Glick, Leola, to Katie K. Esh, daughter of Jonas S. and Sarah

(King) Esh, Ronks, Nov. 6, 1980, by Samuel K. Lapp.

Glick, Kauffman - Elam R., son of Ephraim J. and Fannie L. (King) Glick, Gordonville, to Anna S. Kauffman, daughter of Daniel P. and Barbara B. (Stoltzfus) Kauffman, Honey Brook R#2, Nov. 11, 1980, by Elam P. Kauffman.

Glick, Stoltzfus - Levi S., son of Jacob S. and Mary (Stoltzfus) Glick, Quarryville, to Anna Mae Stoltzfus, daughter of Christ S. and Miriam S. (Lapp) Stoltzfus, Quarryville R#4, Oct. 30, 1980,

by Benjamin K. Fisher.

Kauffman, Riehl - Henry S., son of Levi P. and Annie Z. (Stoltzfus) Kauffman, Honey Brook R#2, to Katie S. Riehl, daughter of Jacob Z. and Lizzie A. (Allgyer) Riehl, Gordonville,

Nov. 6, 1980, by Elam P. Kauffman.

Kauffman, Stoltzfus - Henry E., son of Ben E. and Barbara E. (Esh) Kauffman, Christiana R#1, to Katie S. Stoltzfus, daughter of John L. and Aarie E. (Smucker) Stoltzfus, Lancaster, Nov. 6, 1980, by Samuel S. Kauffman.

Kauffman, Stoltzfus - Isaac S. Jr., son of Isaac S. Sr. and Emma S. (Fisher) Kauffman, Smoketown, to Lorraine B. Stoltzfus, daughter of Elam J. and Hannah B. (Fisher) Stoltzfus,

Ronks, Nov. 4, 1980, by Moses K. Blank.

King, Beiler - Daniel E., son of Eli Z. and Emma Sally (Esh) King, Gordonville, to Rebecca S. Beiler, daughter of Noah L. and Priscilla S. (Stoltzfus) Beiler, Christiana R#2, Nov. 13, 1980, by Amos G. Esh.

King, Beiler - Samuel D., son of Abram P. and Fannie S. (Fisher) King, Gordonville R#1, to Ruth D. Beiler, daughter of Benuel F. and Sarah L. (Dienner) Beiler, Gap R#1, Nov. 4,

1980, by Daniel S. Fisher.

King, Ebersol - LeRoy B., son of John and Emma Lena (Beiler) King, Kirkwood R#1, to Sadie E. Ebersol, daughter of Jacob B. and Rebecca S. (Esh) Ebersol, Peach Bottom, Dec. 11, 1980, by Benjamin K. Fisher.

King, Esh - Samuel S., son of David F. and Sadie S. (Stoltzfus) King, Lancaster, to Susie K. Esh, daughter of Amos F. and Melinda S. (King) Esh, Gordonville, Nov. 4, 1980, by

Amos G. Esh.

King, King - Jacob Calvin, son of Benuel S. and Anna E. (Riehl) King, Narvon R#1, to Katie B. King, daughter of Christ K. and Katie Z. (Byler) King, Kinzers R#1, Nov. 18, 1980, by David L. Riehl.

King, King - Levi Z., son of Aquilla B. and Mary B. (Zook) King, Quarryville, to Sara M. King, daughter of Tobias S. and Miriam M. (Beiler) King, Kinzers R#1, Nov. 11, 1980, by John

K. Beiler.

King, Petersheim - Amos Z., son of Aquilla B. and Mary B. (Zook) King, Quarryville R#4, to Susie K. Petersheim, daughter of John D. and Mary K. (King) Petersheim, Ronks R#1, Nov.

25, 1980, by Gideon King.

King, Petersheim - David M., son of John S. and Katie S. (King) King, Kinzers R#1, to Lydia K. Petersheim, daughter of Elmer F. and Fannie K. (King) Petersheim, Ronks R#1, Nov. 27, 1980, by Dan J. Byler, Sr.

King, Smoker - John D., son of Gideon K. and Barbara S. (Glick) King, Gap R#1, to Katie S. Smoker, daughter of Amos F. and Malinda F. (Stoltzfoos) Smoker, Gordonville, Nov. 4,

1980, by Gideon King.

King, Stoltzfus - Abner S., son of Enos K. and Barbara F. (Stoltzfus) King, Paradise, to Fannie B. Stoltzfus, daughter of John E. and Edna B. (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus, Gap R#1, Nov. 6,

1980, by Moses K. Blank.

Kinsinger, Stoltzfoos - Sam A., son of Andrew S. and Mattie K. (Lapp) Kinsinger, Gordonville, to Nancy B. Stoltzfoos, daughter of Amos E. and Hannah H. (Beiler) Stoltzfoos, Lancaster, Nov. 4, 1980, by Jonas S. Lapp.

Lantz, Stoltzfus - Isaac K., son of Stephen K. and Mary R.

(King) Lantz, Intercourse, to Barbara B. Stoltzfus, daughter of Ira J. Jr. and Annie F. (Beiler) Stoltzfus, Kinzers R#1, Nov. 13, 1980, by John F. Glick.

Lantz, Stoltzfus - John R., son of Benjamin K. and Emma L. (Lapp) Lantz, Gap R#1, to Sylvia S. Stoltzfus, daughter of LeRoy K. and Leah S. (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus, Ronks, Nov. 20, 1980, by Moses K. Blank.

Lapp, Beiler - Amos S., son of Joseph L. and Katie S. (Glick) Lapp, Paradise, to Annie K. Beiler, daughter of Isaac L. and Melinda K. (King) Beiler, Quarryville R#3, Nov. 18, 1980, by Gideon King.

Lapp, Fisher - Benjamin F., son of Abram K. and Lizzie B. (Lapp) Stoltzfus (deceased), Quarryville R#2, to Emma S. Fisher, daughter of Henry F. and Mary L. (Stoltzfus) Fisher, Willow Street R#1, Nov. 25, 1980, by Israel M. Beiler.

Lapp, Fisher - Jonas K., son of Ephraim S. (deceased) and Sarah K. (King) Lapp, Ronks #2, to Fannie S. Fisher, daughter of Aaron S. and Rachel S. (Stoltzfus) Fisher, Paradise R#1, Nov. 25, 1980, by Dan J. Byler, Sr.

Lapp, King - Emanuel D., son of Amos M. and Lydia L. (Petersheim) Lapp, Kinzers R#1, to Rebecca L. King, daughter of Amos M. and Lydia K. (Lapp) King, Gordonville, Nov. 11,

1980, by David K. Blank.

Lapp, Stoltzfus - Melvin K., son of John E. and Malinda S. (King) Lapp, Gordonville, to Barbara Ann Stoltzfus, daughter of Melvin J. and Barbara M. (King) Stoltzfus, Gordonville, Nov. 4, 1980, by Samuel K. Lapp.

Lapp, Zook - Abram K., son of Levi (deceased) and Lydia S. (King) Lapp, Quarryville R#2, to Fannie S. Zook, daughter of Jacob B. and Miriam S. (Stoltzfus) Zook, Lancaster, Nov. 13, 1980, by Benjamin K. Fisher.

Lapp, Zook - John K., son of Jacob L. and Mary K. (King) Lapp, Ronks, to Mary Zook, daughter of Amos S. Jr. and Miriam K. (Zook) Zook, Leola, Oct. 30, 1980, by John M. Beiler.

Miller, Stoltzfoos - Jerry Jay, son of Aden J. and Cora J. (Yoder) Miller, Barton, Missouri, to Sarah Elizabeth Stoltzfoos, daughter of Wilmer S. and Lydia S. (Fisher) Stoltzfoos, Leola, Dec. 6, 1980, by Samuel S. Stoltzfus.

Riehl, Fisher - Jesse S., son of Christian L. and Mary B. (Stoltzfus) Riehl, Quarryville R#3, to Lydia L. Fisher, daughter of Isaac S. and Fannie K. (Lapp) Fisher, Gordonville, Nov. 6, 1980, by Daniel S. Fisher.

Riehl, Stoltzfoos - David S., son of Gideon L. and Rebecca B. (Lapp) Riehl, Kinzers R#1, to Arie B. Stoltzfoos, daughter of Jacob B. and Naomi S. (Beiler) Stoltzfoos, Strasburg R#1, Oct. 28, 1980, by Enos M. Beiler.

Riehl, Stoltzfus - John S., son of David L., and Sarah S. (Stoltzfus) Riehl, Kirkwood R#1, to Mary E. Stoltzfus, daughter of Jacob L. and Salomie S. (Esh) Stoltzfus, Paradise R#1, Oct.

30, 1980, by David L. Riehl.

Smoker, Miller - Enos J., son of Stephen K. and Nancy K. (Stoltzfus) Smoker, Kirkwood R#1, to Susan F. Miller, daughter of Jacob K. and Sarah L. (Fisher) Miller, Quarryville R#3, Nov. 27, 1980, by Israel M. Beiler.

Smucker, Beiler - Emanuel B., son of Gideon L. and Lydia K. (Blank) Smucker, Quarryville R#3, to Lizzie K. Beiler, daughter of Eli K. and Sadie K. (King) Beiler, Lancaster, Dec. 4, 1980, by

Jonathan F. King.

Smucker, Esh - Daniel B., son of Daniel S. (deceased) and Annie (Beiler) Glick, Gap R#1, to Rebecca P. Esh, daughter of John E. and Mary F. (Petersheim) Esh, Gordonville, Nov. 25, 1980, by David K. Blank.

Smucker, Riehl - Jacob E. Jr., son of Jacob E. Sr. and Melinda K. (Stoltzfus) Smucker, Leola, to Sara S. Riehl, daughter of David L. and Sara S. (Stoltzfus) Riehl, Kirkwood R#1 Nov. 27, 1980, by Henry S. Fisher.

Smucker, Stoltzfus - Daniel, to Annie Stoltzfus.

Stoltzfoos, Stoltzfus - Jacob B., son of Samuel F. and Fannie Z. (Beiler) Stoltzfoos, Gap R#1, to Rachel F. Stoltzfus, daughter of John B. and Susan (Fisher) Stoltzfus, Kirkwood R#1, Dec. 16, 1980, by Henry L. Stoltzfus.

Stoltzfoos, Stoltzfus - Jacob S., son of David F. and Sadie K. (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfoos, New Providence R#2, to Fannie F. Stoltzfus, daughter of Jonas K. and Fannie K. (Fisher) Stoltzfus, Christiana R#1, Nov. 20, 1980, by Levi E. Stoltzfus.

Stoltzfus, Herschberger - John E., son of Samuel K. and Arie S. (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfoos, Christiana R#1, to Elizabeth B.

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Herschberger, daughter of Jacob J. and Mary R. (Beiler) Herschberger, Kirkwood R#1, Nov. 13, 1980, by Samuel U. Stoltzfus.

Stoltzfus, Allgyer - John Ivan, son of John U. and Rebecca (King) Stoltzfus, Morgantown, to Annie S. Allgyer, daughter of John M. and Lizzie (Stoltzfus) Allgyer, Bird-in-Hand R#1, Nov. 4, by John U. Stoltzfus.

Stoltzfus, Beiler - Abner G., son of Reuben G. and Fannie Z. (Zook) Stoltzfus, Myerstown R#2, to Barbara S. Beiler, daughter of David B. and Lizzie (Stoltzfus) Beiler, Lancaster,

Nov. 25, 1980, by Isaac H. Zook.

Stoltzfus, Beiler - Elam F., son of Jonas K. and Fannie K. (Fisher) Stoltzfus, Christiana R#1, to Lizzie F. Beiler, daughter of Henry E. and Sara S. (Fisher) Beiler, Leola, Nov. 11, 1980, by David L. Riehl.

Stoltzfus, Beiler - Jacob E., son of John and Arie (Smucker) Stoltzfus, Lancaster, to Savilla Beiler, daughter of Joseph F. and Sadie (Smucker) Beiler, Gordonville R#1, Nov. 18, by Amos

Stoltzfus, Beiler - Levi E., son of Levi E. Sr. and Barbara K. (Beiler) Stoltzfus, Ronks R#1, to Linda J. Beiler, daughter of Isaac A. and Lavina E. (Beiler) Beiler, Kinzers R#1, Dec. 11, 1980, by John M. Beiler.

Stoltzfus, Esh - David L., to Elizabeth Esh.

Stoltzfus, Esh - Levi F., son of Amos E. and Mary F. (Fisher) Stoltzfus (deceased), Gap R#1, to Barbara Ann Esh, daughter of Stephen J. (deceased) and Sarah G. (Fisher) Esh, Paradise R#1, Nov. 4, 1980, by Daniel A. Miller.

Stoltzfus, Fisher - Daniel J., son of Jesse M. and Rebecca B. (Lapp) Stoltzfus, Lititz R#1, to Mary Ann Fisher, daughter of Samuel E. and Barbara F. (King) Fisher, Paradise R#1, Dec. 9,

1980, by Samuel K. Lapp.

Stoltzfus, Fisher - John B., son of Samuel K. and Naomi L. (Beiler) Stoltzfus, Gordonville, to Anna Ruth Fisher, daughter of Stehpen U. and Sarah S. (Stoltzfus) Fisher, Gordonville, Nov. 13, 1980, by Elam P. Kauffman.

Stoltzfus, Glick - Amos D., son of Reuben G. and Fannie K. (Zook) Stoltzfus, Myerstown R#2, to Bena F. Glick, daughter of John D. and Rebecca K. (Fisher) Glick, Paradise R#1, Dec. 2,

1980, by Gideon King.

Stoltzfus, King - Amos L. Jr., son of Amos L. Sr. and Susie E. (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus, Gap R#1, to Susanna King, daughter of Omar F. and Barbara E. (Fisher) King, Coatesville R#6, Nov. 18, 1980, by Benjamin S. Allgyer.

Stoltzfus, King - Amos S., son of Enos S. and Mary S. (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus, Lancaster, to Katie S. King, daughter of Jonas K. and Sarah L. (Stoltzfus) King, Bird-in-Hand R#1, Nov.

4, 1980, by Levi E. Stoltzfus.

Stoltzfus, King - John D. Jr., son of John D. Sr. and Katie S. (Smucker) Stoltzfus, Leola R#1, to Edna S. King, daughter of Jacob S. and Edna L. (Stoltzfus) King, Paradise R#1, Nov. 25, 1980, by Daniel B. Fisher.

Stoltzfus, Lapp - John S., son of Stephen F. (deceased) and Lydia K. (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus, Loganton R#1, to Annie K. Lapp, daughter of Ephraim S. (deceased) and Sarah K. (King) Lapp, Quarryville R#2, Nov. 11, 1980, by Levi E. Stoltzfus.

Stoltzfus, Lapp - Samuel A., son of John B. and Susan E. (Fisher) Stoltzfus, Kirkwood R#1, to Mattie G. Lapp, daughter of Joseph L. and Katie S. (Glick) Lapp, Paradise R#2, Dec. 9, 1980, by Henry L. Stoltzfus.

Stoltzfus, Stoltzfus - John K., son of Stephen E. and Rebecca (King) Stoltzfus, Gordonville, to Lea Marie Stoltzfus, daughter of Samuel E. and Rachel L. (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus, Gap

R#1, Nov. 20, 1980, by John F. Glick.

Stoltzfus, Stoltzfus - Aaron R., son of Moses E. and Barbara G. (Glick) Stoltzfoos, Gap R#1, to Rachel K. Stoltzfus, daughter of Daniel S. and Miriam B. (King) Stoltzfus, Narvon R#2, Nov. 20, 1980, by Henry S. Fisher.

Stoltzfus, Stoltzfus - Daniel, son of Christ L. and Rachel (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus, Honey Brook R#1, to Jemima S. Stoltzfus, daughter of Henry and Mary Z. (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus, Honey

Brook R#2, Nov. 22, 1980, by Dan J. Gingerich.

Stoltzfus, Stoltzfus - Daniel O., Honey Brook, Pa., to Susan F.

Stoltzfus, Christiana, Oct. 30, by Samuel J. Stoltzfus.

Stoltzfus, Stoltzfus - Jacob F., son of John K. and Lydia S. (Fisher) Stoltzfus, Bird-in-Hand R#1, to Hannah G. Stoltzfus, daughter of Henry S. and Annie K. (Glick) Stoltzfus, Christiana

R#1. Dec. 2, 1980, by Levi E. Stoltzfus.

Stoltzfus, Stoltzfus - John Ivan, son of Jonathan A. and Katie (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus, Ronks R#1, to Mary K. Stoltzfus, daughter of John U. and Rebecca (King) Stoltzfus, Morgantown R#1, Oct. 28, 1980, by Elam P. Kauffman.

Stoltzfus, Zook - Stephen L., son of Benjamin K. and Anna Mary (Lapp) Stoltzfus, Kirkwood R#1, to Elizabeth S. Zook, daughter of Moses S. (deceased) and Katie F. (Zook) Zook, Delta

R#2, Dec. 4, 1980, by Benjamin K. Fisher.

Zook, Beiler - Amos G., son of Abner S. and Malinda S. (Glick) Zook, Leola R#1, to Naomi E. Beiler, daughter of Amos K. and Fannie K. (Esh) Beiler, Quarryville R#3, Nov. 20, 1980, by Stephen U. Zook.

Zook, Beiler - Jacob L., son of David B. and Mary S. (Lapp) Zook, Paradise R#1, to Mary S. Beiler, daughter of Melvin J. and Katie B. (Stoltzfus) Beiler, Gordonville, Oct. 28, 1980, by

Jonas Ebersol.

Zook, Stoltzfus - Christan S., son of Abner S. and Rachel F. (Stoltzfus) Zook, Gap R#1, to Fannie B. Stoltzfus, daughter of Gideon S. and Sadie S. (Byler) Stoltzfus, Blain R#1, Nov. 13, 1980, by Jacob S. Stoltzfus.

Zook, Stoltzfus - Samuel D., son of Jacob B. and Mary (Blank) Zook (deceased), Gordonville, to Rachel L. Stoltzfus, daughter of Tobias M. and Mary (Zook) Stoltzfus, Gap R#1, Oct. 28, 1980,

by Tobias J. Petersheim.

Zook, Zook - Reuben A., son of Amos Z. and Emma S. (Allgyer) Zook, Gap R#1, to Anna S. Zook, daughter of Samuel K. and Annie B. (Stoltzfus) Zook, Paradise, Oct. 28, 1980, by Melvin H. Miller.

York County, Pennsylvania

Stoltzfus, Zook - Stephen, son of Ben Stoltzfus to Lizzie, daughter of the late Moses and Katie Zook, Dec. 4, by Bish. Bennie Fisher.

Gettysburg, Pennsylvania

King, Stoltzfus - Levi Jr., son of Levi A. and Sadie K. (Esh) King, Gap, to Emma F., daughter of Isaac L. and Lavina S. (Fisher) Stoltzfus, Littlestown, Dec. 4, 1980, by Bishop Henry L. Stoltzfus.

Dry Run, Pennsylvania

Hertzler, Hostetler - Ammon, son of Jacob and Lydia (Stoltzfus) Hertzler, Spring Run, to Rebecca, daughter of Moses Z. and the late Mary (Stoltzfus) Hostetler, Dry Run, Nov. 20, by Amos M. Stoltzfus.

Stoltzfus, Yoder - Samuel, son of Samuel S. and Lydia (Hertzler) Stoltzfus, Spring Run, to Lizzie, daughter of Levi J. and Lizzie (Zook) Yoder, Willow Hill, Nov. 11, by Tobias J. Petersheim.

Stoltzfus, Hostetler - Stephen, son of Samuel S. and Lydia (Hertzler) Stoltzfus, Spring Run, to Mary, daughter of Benj. D. and Lydia (Stoltzfus) Hostetler, Dry Run, Nov. 25, by Amos M.

Yoder, Peachey - Levi, son of Levi J. and Lizzie (Zook) Yoder, Willow Hill to Fannie, daughter of John D. and Mary (Glick)

Peachey, Dry Run, Nov. 13, by Emanuel K. Peachey.

Zook, Hostetler - Simeon, son of Daniel and Sarah (Stoltzfus) Zook, Dry Run to Malinda, daughter of Benj. D. and Lydia (Stoltzfus) Hostetler, Dry Run, Nov. 18, by Jacob M. Hostetler.

Smicksburg, Pennsylvania

Byler, Byler - Dan M. to Lydia J., April 24, by Eli Troyer. Keim, Miller - Paul M. to Barbara W., May 8, by Albert Keim. Byler, Byler - Dan R. to Sara A., May 15, by Noah Detweiler. Miller, Byler - Owen A. to Sylvia A., June 19, by Jonas Hershberger.

Miller, Shetler - Eli E. to Karen, Sept. 4, by Noah Detweiler. Swartzentruber, Kuhns - Rudy A. to Sara J., Sept. 18, by Andy

M. Byler.

Sommers, Byler - William J. to Ada E., Nov. 6, by Jake Mast. Kuhns, Miller - Mahlon C. to Esther J., Nov. 13, by Enos Fisher. Byler, Byler - John E. to Sadie A., Nov. 20, by Andy A. Byler.

Southern Mercer County, Pennsylvania Hostetler, Shetler - Stephen A., son of Andy B. and Susie D. (Yoder) Hostetler to Lizzie, daughter of Mrs. Barbara and the late

Mercer, Pennsylvania

Ben B. Shetler, Dec. 23, by Andy J. Byler.

Miller, Mullet - Ben, son of Levi and Fannie (Byler) Miller to Laura, daughter of William and Emma (Byler) Mullet, Nov. 13, by Milo Glick of Fredericktown, Ohio.

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Holmes County, Ohio

Yoder, Yoder - Levi, son of Minister Andy J.D. Yoders, #2 Millersburg to Mattie, daughter of Bishop Eli D. Yoders #2 Millersburg, Dec. 11, by Eli D. Yoder.

Allen County, Indiana

Graber, Graber - Jonas, son of Victor and Anna (Schwartz) Graber to Joann, daughter of Enos and Betty (Schmucker) Graber, Dec. 4, by Bish. Victor Graber.

Utica, Minnesota

Yoder, Schwartz - Elmer, son of Deacon Abe J. and Annie Yoder to Martha, daughter of Mrs. Lizzie and the late Bishop Menno M. Schwartz, Dec. 25.

# **ORDINATIONS**

Ordination services were held for a Bishop in the North District and the lot fell on Henry E. Bender, age 68, he was just ordained as a minister a year earlier. May the Lord Bless his calling.

In Levi M. Mast, Clears pring District. Christy, son of Levi and Nettie (Miller) Mast was ordained a minister. He is 25 years old and is married to Frieda, daughter of Minister Daniel and Wilma Bontrager.

# **MIGRATIONS**

Andy B. A. Bylers moved from Mercer, to Smicksburg, Pa., in

Eli A. E. Bylers moved from Mercer, to Smicksburg, Pa. on Mar. 25, 1980.

Crist J. Bylers moved from Mercer to Smicksburg, Pa., on Nov.

Wollie E. Coblentz moved from Mercer to Smicksburg, Pa., on

Bishop Noah and Anna (Miller) Coblentz and the Bishop Ben and Emma (Mast) Troyer's family moved from Lakeside, Ont. to Coalgate, Oklahoma on Oct. 29, 1980.

Eli Chupp moved from Dover, Delaware to Struats Draft,

Virginia on Dec. 9, 1980.

Levi H. Yoders moved from Dover, Delaware to Clyde, New York on Dec. 19, 1980.

The Andy Yoder family moved back to Arthur, Illinois, December 2, on the same farm they left about 4 years ago from Bloomfield, Iowa.

The Wilbur P. Yoder family of LaGrange County, Indiana moved to Bloomfield, Iowa on Dec. 30, 1980.

REPORTERS: Please send all reports to The Diary, 3981 E. Newport Rd., Gordonville, PA 17529.

# **OBITUARIES**

Beiler, Moses Y. 83, of R1 Ronks, Penna.

died at home on December 26. He was born in the Upper Leacock Township, the son of the late John and Lizzie (Yoder)

Surviving besides his wife, Annie S. (Lapp) Beiler, is 4 daughters, Mary, wife of Levi S. Esh, Gordonville, Mrs. Sadie L. Esh, Ronks, Katie, wife of Eli B. Stoltzfus, Strasburg, and Annie L., wife of Abner R. Glick, Gap, 22 grandchildren, 42 great-grandchildren, 12 step grandchildren, a sister, Katie, wife of Daniel Blank, Leola, and 2 half brothers, Elam A. Beiler, Strasburg, and John A. Beiler, Leola.

Funeral services were held on Monday, December 29th on the homestead farm of Elam B. Esh. Christ Stoltzfus from Churchtown and Sammie Stoltzfus held the sermon. He was buried at Myers Cemetery, as they have 3 children buried there.

Bender, David H. 68 years, 5 days, Johnson County, Iowa

died on November 27, on the way to the hospital from a heart attack Born on November 22, 1912. He and Susan Yoder (a dau of John D. and Katie Miller Yoder) were married January 6, 1935. He accepted Christ as his Saviour in his youth and remained steadfast.

Surviving are his wife Susan, 2 sons, Henry of Harrisburg, Oregon, Enos of Washington, Iowa, and 5 daughters, Anna (Mrs. Harold Mass) of Iowa City. Mary Edna of Kalona, Mabel (Mrs. Manas) Burkholder of LaGrange Indiana, Esther of Kalona, Sara Mae (Mrs. Francis Swartzentruber), Kalona. 14 grandchildren 1 brother John, Kalona, 4 sisters, Mary (Mrs. Harry W.) Yoder, Jamesport, Missouri, Lydia (Mrs. Lester Swartz), Kalona, Martha (Mrs. Glen Stoddard), Kinross, and Elva, Kalona. He was proceeded in death by his parents, a daughter Katie, and a son

Funeral services were held at the Glen Beachy home North of Kalona by Bishop Henry B. Miller and Henry E. Bender.Pallbearers were Mahlon Yoder, Monroe Miller, Roy Beachy, Harley Kauffman, Fred Mast, and Elmer Helmuth. Burial was in the East

Union Cemetery 3 miles north of Kalona.

Byler, Mahlon, 2 years,

wedding anniversary this year.

died October, 18. He was the son of Dan R. Bylers.

Christner, Samuel J., 92, #2 Geneva, Indiana

died December, 14 at the Adams County Memorial Hospital, after being ill several months. He was a retired farmer and lived in died December 14, at the Adams County Memorial Hospital after being ill several months. He was a retired farmer and lived in Adams County 35 years. Born in LaGrange County on March, 27, 1888. He was the son of John and Emma (Christner) Christner. He was married in LaGrange County on October 12, 1907, to Elizabeth Miller who survives. He and his wife observed their 73rd

Surviving are his wife and the following children, Cletus S. and Alvin S. R2 Berne, Levi S. R1 Geneva, Mrs. John (Emma) Girod R2 Berne, Mrs. Amos (Edna) Schwartz, Homer, Michigan, Mrs. Joseph J. (Sylvia) Eicher R2 Geneva, and Mrs. Ida Lengacher R3 Grabill. Also a brother Levi J. of Topeka: two sisters, Mrs. Menno (Susie) Yoder. LaGrange and Mrs. Levi (Amanda) Wingard of Middlebury, a half-sister, Mrs. Edna Yoder of Bowling Green,

Missouri, and 59 grandchildren and 218 great-grandchildren. Funeral services were held December 17 at the Joseph J. Eicher home. Burial was in the Bunker Hill Cemetery.

Coblentz, Brian A., 8 month, RD2 Dundee, Ohio

died December 25, of asphyxiation in an accidental crib death. He was born on April 22, 1980, in Millersburg, Ohio. He was the son of Atlee and Fannie (Weaver) Coblentz.

Surviving besides his parents are 3 sisters Cathy, Cheryl, and Lori and 1 brother, Kelvin all at home. Paternal grandfather, Robert J. Coblentz of RD2 Dundee, Ohio and maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Weaver of RD2 Dundee, Ohio.

Funeral services were Saturday morning December 27, at the residence with Bishop Dan Schlabach officiationg. Burial was at the Miller Cemetery in Berlin Township.

Graber, Daniel A., 69 years, 10 months and 1 day

died Dec. 23. 2 sons and 2 daughters survive. He was well known in the Dundee area. His wife Elizabeth Zook died 4 years

Funeral at Longenecker Mennonite Church. Also survived by 4 brothers and 1 sister.

King, Sadie S., 5 months, 501 Strasburg Pike, Pa.

died 6:50 p.m. Dec. 24 and was a daughter of Eli S. and Nancy L. (Esh) King.

Born in Leacock Township she is survived by her parents and 1 brother, Samuel E. at home. Maternal grandparents, David Z. and Mary B. (Lapp) Esh, R#1, Gordonville; paternal grandparents, David F. and Sadie S. (Stoltzfus) King, Lancaster; a maternal great-grandmother, Mrs. Melinda E. Lapp, Gordonville, R.#1; a paternal great grandmother, Mrs. Sarah S. King, R.#2 Ronks and paternal great grandparents, Eli S. and Emma B. (Stoltzfus) Stoltzfus.

Funeral services were held at the home on Saturday at 12:00 noon. Burial at Beilers Cemetery.

Miller, Amos 4 months, 26 days

died October 18. He was the son of Allen Miller Jrs.

Miller, Andrew H., 5, R.R. 3-Ligonier, Cr 100S and CR400W

died Dec. 5, after an illness of 3 years.

Born in LaGrange County, Ohio, March 15, 1975, he was a son of Harley E. and Ester (Miller) Miller.

Surviving besides his parents are 2 sisters, Betty H. and Arlene H. and 4 brothers, Cletus H., Vernon H., Ervin H. and Nathan H. all at home. His grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ervin A. Miller of RR3 LaGrange and Mr. and Mrs. John Mast of RR1 LaGrange.

Funeral services were held Sunday at 1:30 p.m. in the parents home with Bishop David Nissley and Bishop William W. Miller officiating. 361

Burial was in the Hawpatch Cemetery. Miller, Mrs. Fannie, 85 years, 1 month

died Oct. 25. She was the oldest of our group living here.

Miller, Monroe S., infant son, R.2, Dover, Delaware

died Dec. 16. He .was the son of Sam E. and Edna (Mast) Miller. He was born Aug. 21, 1980. He was born with a heart defect and died following open heart surgery at Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore.

He is survived by his parents, one brother, 4 grandparents, 2 greatgrandparents, 5 uncles and 8 aunts. 1 brother proceeded him

in death.

Funeral services were held at the Jake Hershberger home on Dec. 19. Pallbearers were Henry S. Mast and Alvin J. Hershberger. Sermon by Pre. William D. Beachy and Bish. Dan A. Yoder.

Petersheim, Enos S., 66, R.1 Christiana, Pa.

died unexpectedly at home Dec. 26 after being sick 2 days.

He was born in Leacock Township and was born to John K. and

Mary (Stoltzfus) Petersheim, April 18, 1914.

Surviving are his wife, Sadie (Riehl) Petersheim, 8 sons, Melvin R., Christian R., Daniel B., Stephen R., all of Christiana, Elam R., Gordonville; John D., Newburg, Omar R., Paradise and Enos S. Jr. no address. 54 grandchildren, 3 great-grandchildren, a sister, Emma S., wife of Jacob Petersheim, Bart; 1 brother, Isaac Petersheim, Christiana and 2 half-brothers, John R., Gordonville and Daniel R., Leola.

Funeral services were held at the home farm of Daniel Petersheim on Dec. 29th 11:00. Burial in Georgetown Cemetery. Pallbearers were 4 grandsons, Enos S., John S., Jerry S. and

Samuel Petersheim.

Funeral services at home by Sam Zook and Roys Henry S., page 437. At Dannies by Stephen Esh, David Riehl and Levi Riehl, page 444. At graveyard by Sam Esh, page 464, lied 22 and Joe Fisher.

Gone but not forgotten Dear one it had to be, The death angel called him To live with them eternally. Twas the 26th of December The angels came from above,

To take our dear one That I'm sure we all loved.

When friends see us smile They think we have forgot, But they do not know

The empty place in our heart.

Dear relatives do not mourn The Lord thought it was best, He wanted him up in Heaven So he could sweetly rest.

Raber, Abe A., 66, R3 Millersburg

died Monday in Pomerene Hospital following an extended illness. He was a member of the Old Order Amish and was born in Holmes County to the late Andy A. and Lovina (Yoder) Raber. His first wife Maggie (Miller) Raber died in 1949. His second wife,

Anna (Mast) Raber died in 1965.

Surviving are 5 sons, Andy, R4 Millersburg, Dan A., R3 Millersburg, Melvin, Abe Jr. and Fred of R1 Sugarcreek; 6 daughters, Mrs. Darrell (Mattie) Cross, Libby, Mont., Mrs. Gerald (Lovina) Barnett, East Lake, Mrs. Levi (Lucinda) Raber and Mrs. Andy P. (Saloma) Yoder, R3 Milersburg, Mrs. Eli (Katie) Troyer and Mrs. Jacob (Clara) Yoder R2 Sugar Creek. 55 grandchildren, 4 great grandchildren, 1 sister, Mrs. Andy (Lucinda) Raber, Florida. A son and a grandson preceded him death.

Funeral services were held Dec. 3, at the residence. Burial in Miller Cemetery in Clark Township, by Bish. Joe M. Hershberger.

Riehl, Jesse B., 85, R.2 New Holland, Penna.

died Dec. 15 at 1:45 after a lengthy illness. He was born in Lancaster County and was the son of the late Menno and Mary (Baumgardner) Riehl. He was married to Emma

(Lapp) Riehl who survives.

Also surviving are the following children, Mary, wife of John S. Beiler, Ronks, Katie and Rachel at home, Gideon L., Kinzers, Annie, wife of Jacob E. Beiler, New Holland, Christian L., Quarryville, Fannie, wife of Jonas S. Ebersol, Bird-in-Hand, Jesse L., Lancaster, Susie, wife of Aaron S. Ebersol, Leola; 41 grandchildren, 29 great grandchildren, a sister, Annie B. King.

Wyoming, Delaware and 2 brothers, Abner B., Ronks and Isaac B., New Hossand.

Funeral services were held at the Riehl residence Dec. 17 at 11:00. Burial in the Beilers Cemetery.

Schlabach, Sara, 91 years, 7 months and 23 days.

died March 17, 1980.

She was married to Ervin Schlabach.

Schwartz, Martha, 49, R1 New Haven

died in her home Dec. 17. She had been in failing health for 27

years and had been on oxygen the last 2 to 3 years.

She is survived by her husband, Henry; 3 sons, Daniel and Samuel R2 Grabill and Paul at home, 4 daughters, Barbara, Leah, Verna and Anna Mary all at home; 3 brothers, Menno and David Graber R2 Grabill and Daniel New Haven; and 4 sisters, Mrs. Henry (Maggie) Eicher, Camden, Mich.; Mrs. Dan (Barbara) Eicher and Mrs. David (Leah) Miller, R2 Grabill and Mrs. Sam (Anna) Lengacher, R1 New Haven

Funeral services were held in house by Bish. Amos Graber, Daviess County and Bish. Christy Schmucker and in a shed by Pre. Andy Graber, South Whitley, Ind. and Pre. Joseph Schwartz, Homer, Mich. Burial in Amish Cemetery, Grabill.

Stoltzfoos, Mrs. D. (Mary), 92, Leola, Pa.

died Dec. 11, at home after a long illness. She had been under She was the daughter of the late John and Nancy (King) Beiler.

She was the widow of the late Daniel S. Stoltzfoos.
Surviving is a brother, Solomon K. Beiler, Bird-in-Hand and a sister, Annie K. Beiler, Bird-in-Hand. She was a member of the Old Order Amish Church.

Funeral services were held Dec. 13, at 11;00 at the Ephraim D.

Riehl home. Burial in Myers Cemetery.

Stoltzfus, Amos M., 70, R.3, New Holland died Dec. 13, at his home. He was under a doctor's care.

Born in Leacock Township, he was married to Katie (Zook) Stoltzfus. He was the son of the late John E. and Fannie (Lapp) Stoltzfus.

He was a member of the Old Order Amish Church.

Surviving are his widow, Katie (Zook) Stoltzfus, at home; 6 sons; John D., Leola; Christ S.; Mifflinsburg; S. Levi, Parkesburg; Jacob, Gordonville; Stephen S., Leola, and Amos S., New Holland R3; 6 daughters: Lizzie, wife of Benuel Stoltzfus, Kinzers; Fannie, wife of Alvin Lapp, Gap; Mary, wife of Daniel Petersheim, Gordonville; Katie, wife of Eli Lapp, Gordonville; Rebecca, wife of Daniel Beiler, New Holland R3, and Rachael, wife of Gideon Beiler, New Holland R2.

Also surviving are 78 grandchildren; 3 great grandchildren: 2 brothers John L. and Levi L. both of Leola, and 3 sisters; Rebecca, wife of Jacob King, Gordonville; Barbara, wife of Isaac Stoltzfus,

Gap, and Mary, wife of Christ Speicher, Leola.

The family had looked forward to attend a Christmas dinner at their son-in-law's home, Deac. Benuel Stoltzfus, December 13th.

Services were held at the late home, December 15 at 11;00, by Abner Glick and Amos M. Stoltzfus, a lied read by Amos K. Lapp. Also at his son Stevie's home, the same time by John D. Stoltzfus and Enos Glick, a lied read by John E. Stoltzfus. Burial at Myers Cemetery, lied read by Elam Lapp, abschied by David R. Zook.

Pallbearers were 4 grandsons, Amos, John D., Stevie and

Wilmur Stoltzfus.

Stoltzfus, Benuel E. 77, Quarryville, #3

died at his home, Tuesday, Nov.24, at 8:30 a.m. following a lengthy illness. He was born in Gordonville, the son of the late Amos M. and Barbara (Esh) Stoltzfus. He was married to Susie L. Fisher. A retired farmer, he was a member of the Old Order Amish Church and was a minister for 35 years since 1945.

Surviving in addition to his wife are 8 children, Isaac F., Bart, Barbara F., wife of Enos K. King, Paradise #2; Amos F., New Holland #3; Naomi, wife of Jonas K. Esh, Ronks #2; Abner F., Quarryville #3 Mary F., wife of Enos S. Stoltzfus, Lancaster; Rebecca F., wife of Jonas F. King, and Emma F., wife of Jacob S. King, both of Gordonville #1; 69 granchilderen, 30 great grandchildren and a brother, Levi E. Stoltzfus, Bird-in-Hand #1

Funeral services were held at the home Nov. 28, at 9:00, by Pre. John S. Stoltzfus and Bis. John S. Glick, Lied Dea. David S. Esh. Burial in Georgetown Cemetery. Lied by Jacob Y. Beiler. Abshied by Amos S. Kauffman. Pallbearers were 4 grandchildren.

Swartzentruber, Mrs. Menno (Katie J.) 39, Dalton #2 died Dec. 26 following a long illness of cancer. She was born in Miss. the daughter of Emanuel and Mary (Hostetler) Miller. She is survived by her husband, 7 sons and 8 daughters, 3 brothers, 8 sisters and her parents. 1 sister preceded her in death.

Funeral services were held Dec. 29 at the residence by Bishop Eli J. Hershberger. Burial was in the Hershberger Cemetery,

Wayne County.

Wickey, Elizabeth S., 75, #1 Berne, Indiana

died at her home, Dec. 7 after being ill 15 months with a heart ailment. A housewife she was born Nov. 13, 1905 to Soloman and Fannie J. (Yoder) Wengerd in Holmes County, Ohio. Both parents and her stepmother Elizabeth Yoder preceded her in death. On Feb. 23, 1928 she was married to Jacob D. Wickey who preceded her in death Nov. 7, 1979. She was a resident of Adams County most of her life.

Surviving are 5 daughters Mrs. Dan C. (Mary) Schwartz, Geneva, Mrs. Samuel S. (Elizabeth) Schwartz, Mt. Pleasant Mills, Pa.; Mrs. Daniel(Frances) Gingerich, Berne; Mrs. Joe (Rebecca) Girod, Berne; Mrs. Alvin (Emma) Lambright, Berne; 5 sons, Amos J. and Soloman J., Berne, David J. and Jacob J., Geneva and Jerry J., Wickey, Pecatur; 1 daughter, Mrs. Ben S.

(Katherine) Girod preceded her in death.

She is survived by 2 sisters, Mrs. David L. (Sovilla) Schwartz, Berne and Mrs. Andrew W. (Emma) Schwartz, Monroe, 1 stepsister, Mrs. Ezra (Beulah) Miller, New Haven. 7 brothers, Dan S. Wenger, Fredericksburg, Ohio, Noah S., Berne; Joe S., Blair, Wisc.; Jerry S., Big Prairie, Ohio; Andrew S., Mt. Victory, Ohio; Eli S., Fredericksburg, Ohio; Jonas S. Wengerd, Norfolk, New York. 1 sister, Sarah preceded her in death. Also surviving are 104 grandchildren; 10 step grandchildren; 90 great grandchildren and 6 step grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at her home on Dec. 10. Burial was

in the Schwartz Cemetery.

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# **CROP AND WEATHER REPORTS**

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# New York - Moses D. Stutzman

December started in with rain the 2nd and 7th and was down to 6 the 4th and 2 the 20th and 18 to 27 below on Christmas morn. About 11 days a bit snow came down with about 8 inches by the 19th.

# Franklin County, Pennsylvania - Jacob E. Flaud

We had real nice weather through November, some rain during the month. Had about 4 inches of snow on the 17th. Lots of wind and real cold in some parts of the month.

Some plowing was done in November.

For the month of December we had nice winter weather, some snow over the holidays. Several cold spells down to zero and windy at times.

Farmers main job is cut wood and haul manure. Another year has gone by and lots to be thankful for.

Nittany Valley, Centre County, Penna.- Henry M. Glick

The first week in December was fair and warm. The 8th the ground was still open to plow but the next day we had an all day rain. It blew off and got cold. We had a few inches of snow the 15th and 16th. It got cold the 20th and 21st down to 2 below. On Christmas night the temperature dropped to 8 below zero and 10 below the next eve. The 27th it got a little warmer, 10 above that night. Cold winter weather.

# Centre County, Brush Valley, Penna. - David B. Stoltzfus

After somewhat mild weather in the first few weeks of

December in which some plowing was done, the weather became more like winter, with several 3 inch snowfalls and some sub-zero weather. Christmas morning was the coldest with 12 below zero and quite windy at times.

Montour County, Pennsylvania - Amos K. Stoltzfus

We had warm weather on the 1st and 2nd and on the 3rd it changed to cool and windy a day or so. On the week of the 15th we had about 4 inches of snow and a day or so that the thermometer went down to 5 degrees. The day before Christmas it snowed again a few inches and started blowing with the temperature below zero. A few mornings it was down to 12 below zero in this area. Had about 6 inches of snow in December. The year of 1980 is about over. We had alot of dry weather this year. Total crops for the year weren't so good as some years, except for wheat was better.

Dauphin County, Millersburg, Pa. - Mrs. Benuel Fisher

We had a cold December. The beginning was fair and sunny. The 15th we had around 4 inches of snow which lasted till we had another coverage of snow on the 23rd. Then it got real cold and windy on Christmas morning. Some places zero to 8 below with wind. It stayed cold till the 28th it warmed up some, the 29th it was very foggy and icy, but warmed up again. The morning of the 30th it seems to be getting windy and colder again.

Lebanon County, Pennsylvania - Levi S. King

Some mild weather beginning of December with a good bit of plowing being done, then the latter part of the month we had some cold with the coldest on Christmas morning when it was 6 below zero with a strong wind. Rainfall for the month was .5 inches and about 4 inches of snow. Totals for the year were 27.4 inches rain and 19 inches snow. In 1980 a new disease among livestock broke out calles pseudorabies. Hogs seem to be the main carrier of the disease, but it can be fatal to cattle and some other livestock. About 2 or 3 of the Amish people in our area had some experience with it in their livestock.

Leola, Lancaster County - Levi L. Stoltzfus

For December Bareville area had a few light showers and

snowfalls with some mixtures of rain.

Market report of December 19, 1980; choice steers 70.25-73.00 cwt.; Lancaster feeder steers 45.60-63.25 cwt.; fat hogs 45.00-48.25 cwt.; 40 lb. feeder pigs 68.00-95.00 cwt.; veal choice to prime 79.00-110.00 cwt.; dairy cows at New Holland 600.00-2100. light fowl .08 lb.; heavy fowl .18-.42 lb.; pullets .46 lb.; roasters .44 lb.; ducks .60-.75 lb.; geese .42-51 lb.; rabbits .48-95 lb.; guineas 1.15-1.40; pigeons, pair 1.50-4.01; eggs, large .83 dz. med. .80 dz.; potatoes, retail at 11.00-12.00 cwt.; new ear corn 85.-136. ton, by the bu. 3.80; wheat 4.50 bu.; barley 2.75 bu.; oats 2.30 bu.; hay 65.-165. ton; straw 35.-73. ton; corn fodder 35.-49. ton; milk 14.75 cwt.

Chester County, Coatesville, Pennsylvania - J. Elmer Lapp

December started in pretty mild, temperature dropping to 20 on the 4th, 5th and 6th, then warming up again for a week. By the 20th it got down to 10 and Christmas morning it was 5 below and windy. On the 26th it was 2 below. Not quite an inch of rainfall and about 6 inches snow on the 11th, 15th and 24th. It snowed 2 inches each day.

Fall plowing was being done as late as the 9th.

St. Mary's County, Maryland - Amos R. Stoltzfus

We had a very nice December. The first really cold day was December 20th, it was 16, not over 20 all day and windy. The next morning it was 10 and the next 9 degrees. Christmas morn it got very windy and temperature dipped to 9 again, not over 18 all day. The next morning it was 3. After that it warmed up more. No measurable snow until the night of New Years it was snowing. December 9th was a rainy day in p.m. Very little moisture in December.

Lots of plowing was done.

Dover, Delaware - Neil N. Hershberger

December was a nice month for the most part temperature was about normal, maybe a little lower on the average. We had the coldest Christmas day on record with the temperature at 4 degrees with a very strong wind. Lowest temperature for the month was 2 on the 26th. High was 69 on the 8th. Very little rain in December only 1 inch and no measurable amount of snow. Total rainfall for the year was 52.3 inches rain and 15 inches snow. A little more than average.

Still a lot of corn out on shock. Corn prices peaked at 3.89 bu. but has come down some since.

I checked my honey bees last week, any hive low in winters store of honey I put one layer of newspaper over top of frames and spread about 2 lb. white sugar over the paper, sprayed the sugar with water to cake it and put the cover back on. This can often save a colony.

York County, Pennsylvania - Andrew H. Beiler

Novembers weather was mostly sunny and warm the first 2 weeks, a lot of people were plowing. We had about 3 inches of rain and our first snow the 27th, enough to cover the ground. December was also mild the first 2 weeks except 2 or 3 days, we had almost 5 inches of rain and some snow. The day before Christmas it snowed most of the p.m. with big flakes coming down fast, temperature at about 30 that eve. But by Christmas morn it was down to 2 above with a pretty strong wind blowing, this being our coldest this winter. It has warmed up again with temperature up to 30 the 29th.

Perry County, Pennsylvania - Amos M. Stoltzfus

December 25th was the coldest yet, 4 below zero. The following Friday and Saturday it was 3 below in the morning. It snowed about 6 to 8 inches in December. There was some good skating weather. It's good weather (cold and snowy) to attract birds to the feeders. Only a few buck were shot around here. 50 were shot in Kennedys Valley just other side of the mountain from us.

Mifflin County, Pennsylvania - Catherine M. Swarey

December started in warm, but turned colder already Dec. 3rd and 4th. Mostly December was a cold wintery month. Highest temperature. Low 60's around Dec. 8-9. Lowest temperature 2 below. 3 to 4 inches of snow Dec. 15 and 16th. Also a few inches of snow on Dec. 24th. 1980 was a very fruitful year. Corn and hay a good crop, altho a little dry. In the year 1980 there were 48 births, one a stillborn son, 25 girls, 22 boys. 3 marriages this fall.

Snyder County, Pennsylvania - Sam Troyer

December was about the coldest that I can remember, at least the last half. Our coldest was on the 25th which was the day David I. Nisley was buried. While standing around the grave it was very near zero. 6 below was the coldest on the hill, on the 15th we got 4 inches of snow which is still on the ground, mostly. It hardly rained a half inch this month.

Juniata County, Pennsylvania - David Y. Renno

The weather here was fair and about normal and dry. About 2 inches rain for the month. We had light snow on Christmas followed by zero weather the next 3 mornings which was the coldest we had all year. Total rainfall for the year was 30 inches which is ½ inch below normal. It has been a good year for us, a wet spring and a very hot and dry summer. Crops were medium or less in late summer crops.

Health was good, only one of our people spent a short time in a hospital. There were no deaths and 9 babies born in 1980, 5 boys and 4 girls which is less than average for 50 families. Mostly young people below 40 years old. 4 of our members were married and will take up house keeping here. 2 of our men were ordained minister this past year. Also a group of young people were baptized and joined church the past year.

Gettysburg, Pennsylvania - Elizabeth A. Stoltzfus

We had  $\overline{7}$  mornings in Dec. with temperature above the freezing mark, with the warmest of 54 on the 9th. The week of the 21st we had 5 mornings with below 10, the coldest on the 26th of 3 below zero. Dec. 2, we had rain with thunder and followed by strong winds and was stormy on the 3rd. We had 2 inches or more of snow on the 16th and then again on the 24th. It was very foggy or misty the 28th and 29th.

1980 will be remembered as a year with a dry summer and fall with a short corn crop. We had very good hay yields, the same with wheat and oats. Food prices are rising continually in the stores. The same way with feed prices and fuel.

Somerset County, Meyersdale, Pennsylvania - Mary A. Kinsinger
December turned out to have all sorts of different weather. Had
some damp and cloudy days with several having drizzles or rain.
Also had snow with the most about 6 inches or so on Wed. before
Christmas. The lowest temperature was 6 below zero here on
Christmas morn. Had below zero twice before and once after that
on the 26th. In the lower places it had dropped to even lower then
6 below.

Lots of flu and colds among the people. Men are kept busy hauling manure etc. while women are sewing and caring for the sick, anyhow those that have the flu.

Mercer County, Pennsylvania - Dan J. Troyer

The first 2 weeks in December we didn't have much snow. We had some rain. After the 14th the ground was covered. We had 3 mornings of below zero, the 20th, 21st and 10 below on Christmas morning. About 4 or 5 inches of snow was the most at any time.

Southern Mercer County, Penneylvania - Mrs. E. H. Kurtz

December started in mild with 50 degree temperatures and up to 60 on the 8th then gradually dropped and was in the 20's and 30's until the 19th when we had 24 in the morning and dropped to 6 above by evening. The 20th it was cold all day with 4 in the morning, up to 16, and down to 8 by evening. 22nd it went up to 30 again until the 24th it went from 36, down to 12 by evening. Christmas morning it was zero, up to 16, and down to 6 that eve. After that more moderate again. Had rain on 4 days, 5 days with only a few snow flurries and 4 days, the 13th, 14th, 15th and the 24th with snow flurries all day.

Conneautville, Pennsylvania - Mrs. Menno Fisher

We had typical winter weather thru December. No snow storms or blizzards.

Men are hauling manure and tending livestock.

Total rainfall, 3.14 inches, total snowfall 22.8 inches, highest temperature 55, lowest 8 below zero.

Geauga County, Ohio - Eli E. Miller

December started in warm, turned colder the 3rd with snow, ground covered since. We had zero weather since the 20th, went up to 40 the 28th. It was cold with snow and wind on Christmas.

Hog and beef prices down a little at our weekly sales feeder pig prices down the last 3 sales. Milk was 12.90 cwt. for 3.5 milk at cheese house.

Holmes County, Ohio - Mrs. John H. Yoder

December 2 was rainy most of the day. Snowing all day Dec. 15, about 4 inches. Blowed and snowed all day the day before Christmas. An all day rain on the 29th. We had a low of 10 below zero. Around zero for 3 or 4 days.

SouthEastern Holmes County, Ohio - John L. Yoder

For our concluding month of 1980, we had some cold snaps, being below zero a few times along with some snow. But also some nice and sunny days and some cloudy ones.

Hauling manure and making firewood and attending sales is the main work among the men. Not much change in hog and pig prices,

beef a little lower. Dairy cattle still selling good.

Western Tuscarawas County, Ohio - Jonas N. Borntrager
We had lots of nice weather for Dec. Had 2 below zero spells,
but each only lasted 2 days till it warmed up again. Lots of

sunshine in 1980, only 12 days that the sun did not shine since April 1. We also had lots of rain.

Some plowing has been done this fall. Crops are all in the barn. Wheat looks good.

Hog prices around .46, milk 12.36 at cheese house for 3.5 test. Holstein heifers and holstein milk cows in good demand.

Hicksville, Ohio - David Raber

The month of December has been mild with two short cold snaps. The 29th and 31st we got about 6 inches of snow.

Bean prices were high to a little over 8.50 a bu., but dropped way off. Corn and milk have been real good. Lots of fire wood has been made this month with very little snow in woods.

LaGrange County, Indiana - Anna Eash

We had nice winter days and some cloudy days. Some near zero mornings. In spite of adverse forecasts we did have a real nice white Christmas and a nice sunshiny day. We also had light thunder the night of the 15th. In the morning of the 29th we awoke to a snowy morning, it continued to snow heavily until after 10.00. It turned to an almost drizzle and snow somewhat disappeared. Quite a few left for their winter homes in the sunny south, while we try to make the best of it here. We do have so much to praise our Heavenly Father.

Wishing you a prosperous year in the Lord.

Kokomo, Indiana - Mrs. Ivan J. Gingerich
In December we had very mild temperatures till the 18th and by
the 19th and 20th it was down to 12 above with a brisk wind
stirring and clear skies. It warmed up some again after that

bringing us a day or so of above freezing temperatures. We had a white Christmas which was our second nice blanket of snow. The 29th we had an all day rain with part time freezing temperature. The following days remained mostly cloudy.

Allen County, Indiana - Mrs. John Schmucker

December was a nice typical winter month. First part of month was mild with a few days in high 50's. The latter part was colder and more snow, coldest was 3 on the 20th. Had 3 inches snow on the 24th and more since.

Etna Green, Indiana - Mrs. Menno Schwartz

The weather is real snowy and we have around 4 inches of heavy snow on the ground. Foggy and frosty, the trees looked beautiful. Dec. 27th. Many family gatherings for the holidays. Steven and Rosa Stoltzfus from Lancaster, Pa. spent the holidays with her folks, the William E. Millers.

Daviess County, Indiana - Elizabeth Mae Raber

The weather in December wasn't very cold till the 20th the temperature was down to 7 degrees above zero then warmed up again, but had another cold spell over Christmas Day, was zero and some had a few degrees below zero on Christmas morning. We didn't have much snow yet. The first and only snow we had that stayed on ground was on the 24th, but is mostly gone again now. We also didn't have much rain lately and some people have been short in water. We had some nice and warm days for December, we had a high of 68 degrees on the 6th.

Arthur, Illnois - Henry R. Yoder

The month of December was fairly mild. Not much precipitation, we had a few light rains, but no snow till Dec. 24 it snowed and turned into a blizzard by mid morning and the wind was real strong at times then on the 25th it was 5 below, but sunshine and not much wind. This was the only subzero morning.

It was a nice fall for the farmers to get their plowing done. Not much a going, but manure hauling, woodcutting and some

butchering.

Soybean market had declined from previous month. The present price around 7.29 for 30 day delivery, corn at 3.44, oats 2.09, prices quoted at local elevators.

Cattle and hogs are down some, perhaps 1.50 per cwt. demand for feeder pigs fair to good, calf market seems to be good at present.

Guthrie, Kentucky - Jesse D. Peachey

Ideal winter weather. Not enough snow anytime to cover the ground. Coldest was 8 above, but has warmed up again. Temperature 52 today and farmers could plow if they'd want to. Some are cleaning fence rows and waterways, also hauling manure and cutting fire wood.

Corn 3.50, beans 7.20, hogs 41.00

Marion, Kentucky - Samuel Herzler

December weather was mild until the 20th, we had a cold wave that put temperatures as low as 8 degrees and lasted for 3 days that we had that cold or nearly so in the morning. Since then it rises and drops rapidly from day to day. We have occasional rains, but not near normal. We dug some post holes in the sod. I was surprised at how easy they dug, but the subsoil does not get any moisture. There is no frost in the ground worth mentioning. We intend to plow today, at least give it a try.

Ethridge, Tennessee - Mrs. Moses J. Gingerich

December was a nice month, a few cold snaps with alittle snow in the air and some white frosty mornings. New Years day was alittle on the damp side, but still nice, very little rain.

The slaughter houses are busy these days.

Hollow Rock, Tennessee - Mrs. Rudy Troyer

November and December were mostly quite warm and sunny for the time of the year. However at the beginning of December there was a little snow flurries followed by a short cold snap. Over the first weekend of December we had a severe ice storm. We also had a few inches of snow the first part of Christmas weekend cold over Christmas. Temperature dropped to about 6 below zero and warm thawing weather since.

Huntingdon, Tennessee - Mrs. A.J. Bontrager

The weather was nice for November with only several rainy days. Highest was 77 and lowest was 24 one morning, so there was our 1st chance to gather ice for ice cream, on the 20th.

Top hogs sell for around 47 cents a lb. and feeder pigs around 30.00 for a 40 pounder. Deer season opened Nov. 15 til Dec. 7

then it'll open again, Dec. 20 to Jan. 1. Limit is 4 bucks. Very few deer are seen.

Audrain County, Clark, Missouri - Samuel D. Beachy

Weather was mild for December although we had several cold spells, but didn't last long. It was below zero some on Christmas Day. Dec. brought us very little moisture. We had a nice rain on Dec. 8 and then a light snow a little later. Presently the ground is bare and dry. Ponds still low, while the smaller ones are dry.

Windsor, Missouri - Mrs. Monroe Hershberger

We had mostly pretty fall weather during Nov. and Dec. Between 3 and 4 inches of rain during the 2 months, besides some snow, yet. We had both a white Thanksgiving and Christmas, altho not much on ground at anytime, so far. Also a cold snap when temperature really dropped, just before Christmas, for several days. The ice on our pond was 4 inches thick, perfectly clear and smooth, was nice skating only it was almost frightening to walk across ice that was as clear as water! By noon that day it was warming up so fast that the ice wasn't safe to be on, by evening anymore.

Anabel, Missouri - Mrs. Abe Y. Borntreger

Dec. weather was very ideal. Plowing was ended when we received 4 inches rain around the 12th. Ground froze up and received 3 inches snow the 24th. The mercury dropped from 3 to 10 below on Christmas morning. We had a white Christmas. First time for quite a few years.

Corn husking is nearly ended. Shredding and wood cutting is

work among men folks.

Marshfield, Missouri - Ruben Yoder

The first two weeks of Dec. were real nice with some rain and sunshine and warm enough that that the grass started to grow some. Some fields turned a nice green till the middle of the month it got cold with several days of zero or near zero.

Corn is 7.50 per cwt., oats is 8.50 per cwt., hogs are 44.-45., grade C milk is 11.85. Alfalfa hay is 115.-130 ton. All trucks and trailers that were loose are now busy hauling hay. And we see the queerest looking loads of hay.

Jamesport, Missouri - Amos W. Yoder

Weather through Dec. was mostly mild and pleasant. We had a much appreciated 4½ inch rain the weekend of Dec. 7, it filled up water ponds, which many farmers depend on for water for livestock. And we had enough snow the 24th to cover ground for the first time this winter. 4 below zero Christmas morning was the coldest this winter.

Reno County, Partridge area, Kansas - Edward A. Mast

We had a few colder than average spells during the forepart of Dec. But the month finished out quite mild. Moisture was sufficient for the wheat, but below average.

Wheat is tall enough for light pasturing.

Haven, Reno County, Kansas - Mrs. E.E. Schrock

We've had a bare Christmas. In Dec. we've had ice, rain, snow, wind and below zero and many nice sunshiny days.

Fall work and butchering done, gardens plowed for next springs planting.

Johnson County, Iowa - Eli Bontrager

We've had an unusual nice and mild fall so far. We had 10 below on Christmas morn which was our coldest, but warmed up soon again. We had several light snows, but is nearly all gone again. Of course all crops are gathered in. And we should all be more thankful for the 1980 crop again. And always be ready to help those in need, which are less fortunate than we are.

Buchanan County, Iowa - Joe A. Yoder

Dec. a nice winter month. A few times it hit the zero mark. 7 below on Dec. 20. a light snow for Christmas.

Cleaning barns and filling the wood sheds is work amongst the farmers. Also some building and repair is still in progress.

Bloomfield, Davis County, Iowa - Mrs. Daniel D. Yoder

Our coldest for the month of Dec. was 3 below on Christmas morning, but warmed up to 13. A light blanket of snow fell on the 24th with some wind and drifting. In general the temperature remained in 20's and lower 30's. The last week was exceptionally nice with 40 degrees. New Years Day is bringing us a change with cloudiness, windy and a little rain. Temperature at 30.

Harmony, Minnesota - Chriss Stutzman

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3rd cutting hay. As an average more damp and cool days than Nov. We had some very nice days in Nov. Had a few inches snow the 12th which melted soon.

Corn was husked during Oct. and Nov.

## Utica, Minnesota - A. G. Shetler

The last 3 days in the 1st week was real foggy and temperature mostly between 20 and 30. The 2nd and 3rd week going down to nearly zero. On Christmas morning it was down to 8 below, also the day before, it was down to zero and a high wind all day. It rained some on the evening of the 28th and got icy, but all disappeared the next forenoon as it went up to freezing and above the last 3 days of the old year.

Amherst, Wisconsin - Mrs. L. J. Borntrager

December was mostly mild with some snow. Have a light cover now. Had several mornings of below zero weather, but mostly temperature ranges between 10-20 degrees. On the 28th we had rain, it was cold enough that was slippery around the buildings, in the yard etc. But the roads weren't too bad. Had snow since and has covered the ice.

## Wilton, Wisconsin - Jacob P. Hochstetler

The first of Dec. brought us 8 inches of snow, but it was all gone again by the 14th. Had several cold spells. Was zero the 2nd, on the 18th it was 38 in morning and got windy from northwest was down to zero by 10 p.m. Was down to 6 below the morning of the 19th and stayed at zero or below all day. Was 10 below on Christmas morn. Don't have enough snow to cover ground, so frost is down in ground a ways already. Had rain the 28th which froze on roads, which caused hazardous driving, a lot of cars went in the ditch, also a few buggy spills, but no serious accidents. 376

Blair, Wisconsin - Mrs. Moses S. Miller

November was quite nice. Had some very nice and days. Nights were cold, but usually warmed up in daytime. If a few cloudy and rainy days. A little snow in the air a few times, but none stayed, till the 28th in eve. it started snowing big flakes. The next morning the ground was covered with snow. Is about all gone again.

Bronson, Michigan - Ora A. Graber

There was no snow the first two weeks, but some rain, average temperatures; and the ground was open many days. The last two weeks we have a change to much colder with some snow most every day, and a few zero mornings. In general our fall was excellent in finishing up the outside work, hushing etc; I haven't seen any farms sold here for sometime. With the high interest rates and taxes, I wouldn't be able to see how a person could make a go of it.

Branch County, Michigan - Mrs. Noah N. Schwartz

December brought us some below zero weather on the 20th and 21st. Also had a white Christmas and snow again all day of the 29th. Had a lazily falling snow all day totaling about 8 inches or more. Some fall plowing was done the fore part of the month.

St. Marys, Ontario - Abe Hochstetler

November has been a agreeable month with open weather to get a bountiful corn crop harvested, an practically all plowing done for next spring seeding.

We have had few spells of hard frozen ground, an snow covered

county side last few days.

Hog prices have strengthend some latly. Corn \$4.00, beef steady.

## To Recall Memories of the Past — Continued from back page

The oldest (388) Benjamin Stutzman (387) born February 8, 1822 in Smithville, Ohio, died at Goshen, Indiana in 1895, married to Christiana Boller, born 1821, died 1880. Daughter of George Boller. (note; the Boller family was an Amish Family, Elizabeth Zook, daughter of Dich Hans Zook of Mifflin County married to John Boller and moved to Ohio), to Benjamin and Christena Stutzman were born 8 children.

1. Elizabeth Stutzman, married Benjamin Yoder, Mennonites of Goshen, Indiana. 2. Jacob Stutzman, born 1843, died at 6 years of age. 3. Jonas B. Stutzman, married Barbara Buzzard. They moved to Denver, Colorado. 4. Sally Stutzman, born March 4, 1849, died 1851. 5. Martha Stutzman, married Samuel Kauffman. They were Mennonites and moved to Goshen, Indiana. 6. Lydia Stutzman married Amos Bowman, they lived at Topeka, Indiana. 7. Noah B. Stutzman married Catherine Maurer, they moved to Ransom, Kansas. 8. Benjamin Stutzman married Katherine May Tice.

(389) David B. Stutzman (387) born 1823 at Smithville, Ohio, married first to Lydia Harmon who died in 1855, he married second to Jacobine Naftizer. A daughter (390) Sallie Stutzman (389) born 1859 died 1897 married Menno Hartzler, born 1859 in Noble County, Indiana, son of Pre. David F. an Barbara (Yoder) Hartzler of Noble County, Indiana but formerly of Mifflin County. Menno married second to Fannie E. Kurtz, born 1871 in Champaign County, Ohio, daughter of Abraham and Martha (Zook) Kurtz of Lawrence County, Pennsylvania. There were 9 children born from the two marriages and are widely scattered and were of the Mennonite faith and also of the more liberal churches. Will mention one daughter, Clara Mae Hartzler married to Irvin L. Fisher, son of Eli and Katie (Yoder) Fisher of

"Because we laid in the shade in the daytime except that one half day.

Why

got used to going naked.

we would be.

stream,

And it was thick hazy then—don't you recollect?".

In a glade in some woods, and not far from a streapile of grass for a bed. But little sleeping could they

were blistered from head to heals.

ty. Chio but formerly of Lancaster County, ia Another daughter (391) Mary Ellen Hartzie. (389) mai and to James Zook, sea of David Zook of Lawrence County, but formerly of Mifflin County. Another daughter of David B. Stutzman was (392) Emma Stutzman (389) born 1860 at West Liberty, Ohio, married to Samuel P. Yoder, born 1858 in Logan County, Ohio, son of Christian K. and Kathryn (Plank) Yoder formerly of Mifflin County, Pennsylvania. They had 9 children mostly around West Liberty, Ohio.

The fourth child of John and Sarah (Blough) Stutzman was (393) Elizabeth Stutzman (387) born June 20, 1827 near Smithville, Ohio. Died 1892, married to Solomon P. Zook, born June 20, 1827 in Wayne County. Son of John and Catherine Weidman Zook. Solomon was ordained a Amish Minister in the early settlement of Wayne County, Ohio. (note; this John Zook and family was about the first Amish to settle in Wayne County in the vicinity of Smithville.) To Solomon P. and Elizabeth (Stutzman) Zook were born 9 children. 1. John Zook married first to Fanny Hartzler, second to Elizabeth Yoder. 2. Jacob born October 2, 1846, died at 7 years of age. 3. Jonathan born February 25, 1846, died at 21 years of age. 4. David Zook born March 26, 1850, died at 7 years. 5. Sarah Zook married Joseph Zeigler born 1848 they were Amish in Wayne County, Ohio at that time. 5. Menno Zook born 1854, married to Mary Yoder, daughter of Joseph and Lydia (Kurtz) Yoder, they lived at Fairview, Michigan. 6. Mary Zook born 1860, married to Augustus Mast, Wayne County, Ohio. 7. Solomon Zook, married Rosa Shellenberger and was a Luthern minister in Bristol, Indiana. 8. Elizabeth Zook born 1863, married Norman Weigley, they were of the Brethern Faith. 9. Samuel Zook born 1866 By morning they

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got to have some clothes

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from?"

Traveling in the sun was out of question now, and here they spent the day. Sometimes they went down to the creek to bathe their smarting bodies; and sometimes they would wander about through the thickest

married Lois Bratton, they lived in Michigan. 10. Lydia Zook born and died January 1859.

(394) John Zook (393) of the above mentioned family was born August 14, 1845, died 1926, married Fannie Hartzler, daughter of Benjamin and Fanny (King) Hartzler who had moved from Mifflin County to Laurence County, Pennsylvania. John married his second wife, Elizabeth Yoder born 1845 in Juniata County, Pennsylvania, daughter of Jacob and Anna

(395) Sarah or Sallie Stutzman (387) born 1836 in Wayne County, Ohio, married to John Hochsteller, born 1834 in Wayne County, Ohio, son of Bishop Emanuel and Catherine (Fordenwalt) Hochstetler. They were affiliated with the Amish Church and had 10 children who mostly became Mennonite and Brethern and are widely scattered throughout the western states

(396) Joseph Stutzman (387) born 1838 in Wayne County, married to Susan Hostetler, born 1838, daughter of Bishop Emanuel and Catherine (Forden walt) Hostetler they had 7 children who were mostly affiliated with the Mennonite, Dunkard and Brethern

The next of the children of John and Anna (Speicher) Stutzman is (397) Frany Stutzman (213) born in Herbst Monat (as the old records give it) 1801 in Somerset County and married to Philip Yoder, son of Jacob and Barbara (Hochstetler) Yoder of Somerset County. Philip and Frany moved to Walnut Creek, Holmes County, Ohio soon after their marriage and had 4 children. 1. David P. Yoder, married Catherine Hochstetler. 2. Elizabeth Yoder, married Michael Miller. 3. John Yoder, married Elizabeth Hershberger. 1. Aaron Yoder, married and lived at Kokomo, 10 be continued - by Amos L. Fisher.

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thinking hard. 'We've got to have he kept reminding himself, by way of jist got to have 'em," he kept reminding himself, by his originality. "If we cain't make clothes that will warm, we can patch up some that'll shade the sun off, I guess.

Plenty they found to solve the problems. For three days longer-four days in all-they had to lie by here before they were well enough to set out again, some very rude clothes protected

rushes from the creek, woven together with willow bark, and fastened

strings, which the boys had saved by tying around their waists.

Each garment, if garment it could be called, was in two parts. Using a piece of rope for a belt, the boys had fastened the larger ends of the the lower parts of the body. To keep them from being blown open by the wind, strands of willow bark were woven through them, round and around rushes to it with bark, the other ends hanging down over the wearer's knees. When this was finished, the rushes were thick enough to hide all

but also hid their nakedness, thus makeshifts for clothes though these things were, they not was protected. Sorry makes

For the upper part of the body a similar covering had been made by knotting rushes thickly in a buckskin string, and tying the string around

thus making sort of a skirt. For the upper part of the body

the boy's neck, the rushes hanging below

his waist. Thus his whole body

learn what kind of region

# Bia Smoke Mountain

## CONTINUED FROM LAST MONTH

"Yes, they do. Why not go now, without waiting? We can keep the mound in between them and us."

"Two more horses than redskins down there-don't you see? The other two reds must be out huntin'. We might stumble onto 'em."

"But s'pose some of the Comanches come up here to spy out the

"We could see 'em comin'. But they've already been up here. They al'ays look first and then camp. We'd better stick right where we air till the hunters come back, anyhow."

could be seen gazing toward the smoke. The camp itself was concealed A few minutes later the watchers, casting their eyes upon the camp, saw some mounted men ride to the top of a ridge. The horsemen stopped, and from them by the strip of a timber. Presently they withdrew out of sight. The party nad been too far away to be seen clearly, but the boys had recognized them as Indians.

"More of 'em'' gasped Oscar.

"Yes, must be about thirty over there. I counted as fur as twenty. With these down here, that'll be about forty follerin' us. They must be dyin' to ketch us. We've got to hoof it faster'n ever tonight. Guess we'd better try a different direction. But why don't they come on to camp, that big bunch, I wonder?"

"Ther they come now!" whispered Gscar. "But they've left there

"And the're sneakin' along like they're up to some devilment. What does it mean?"

caution till they reached the valley. Then they began to run, crouching The two watched eagerly. The dismounted Indians moved with low, and kept running till hid by the timber.

Soon the two Comanche hunters were seen approaching their camp, one with a deer or antelope on his shoulder. The game was thrown down near

"Hadn't we better start now, Zally? The hunters have come back."

"Let's wait a few minutes, Oscar. Sumpin' up down there and I'd like to know what."

They had more than half an hour to wait. The sun had set, but there was still plenty of light, when a burst of fierce yells rent the air, and numerous dark figures rushed from the woods and fell upon unsuspecting warriors around the camp-fire.

"Why they're fightin'!" exclaimed Zally, excitedly. "My, but ain't they goin' for each other furious? Reg'lar cat and dog fight they're havin! And cain't they yell!"

"They're not Comanches, the last ones!" said Oscar. They're other Indians-from some I stile tribe! They must be Pawnees. Ishoreyeh scalped a Pawnee, that renagade said-don't you recollect? They're

"That's jist who they air-Pawnees! Bully for the Pawnees! Go it the whole gang of you! Fight, dogs, you're no kin!" Zally almost beside himself with excitement, could scarcely keep from jumping up and

The battle was soon ended. One Comanche burst out of the strugglin group and fled on foot, with half a dozen Pawnees-they were really Pawnees-after him. He was able to get nearly two hundred yards away,

but was then overtaken and speared to death.

They dashed away, pursued by Pawnees on others of the Comanches horses. Both fugitives rode north. They would pass near the foot of the Two of the Comanches succeded in reaching and mounting their horses.

One, on a swift horse, drew rapidly away from his pursuers. He was gaining fast when he dashed by the mound. And they recognized him by that big scar. It was Ishoreyeh. He was still a good distance ahead when he rode out of sight.

Soon the The other mounted Comanche was not so fortunate. Several Pawnees on horse-back were not far behind him, and every one kept letting Hy arrows as fast as he could snatch them from his quiver. fugitive's horse was seen to stumble and fall.

The Comanche was off instantly, continuing the flight on foot. The Pawnees were quickly upon him. The Indians were now scarcely fifty yards from the mound, and the two excited watchers could distinctly see arrow after arrow lodge in the fleeing savage's back. Realizing that he was doomed, the Comanche wheeled suddenly and rushed at the nearest foe with his long-handled lance.

But he was soon down, and with many fiendish yells his enemies pounced upon him. When all was over, the Pawnees rode back to the camp, leading their victim's horse and leaving the fallen Comanche lying motionless in the grass.

The warriors who had been pursueing Ishoreyeh soon returned. As they were leading no horse, Zally expressed his opinion that his companion

had made good his escape.

"Only one out of nine, though," he remarked. "Eight men killed! Isn't it horrible? said Oscar with a shudder.

been us instid of them. And that's just what would ha' happened if the Comanches had caught us, instid of gittin' caught theireselves. I ain't sheddin' no tears. Its dog eat dog-redskin ag'in redskin. And we're the gainers by it I guess. These Comanches might ha' got on our trail ag'in, and kept on it till they run us down. But they trailed their last trail-all except old Ishy. And if he hadn't scratched dirt mighty fast he'd ha' been here with 'em. The other Comanches, when they find out whats happened here-they'll be altogether too busy huntin? Pawnees to bother about us "Well, yes, reckon it is. But it might ha' been lots worse. It might ha'

"Hadn't we better go now, Zally?"

"Well, not much use to hurry. nobody to run from now. Let's see what

the new redskins intends to do.

"How do you s'pose they'd treat us if we went down there? About like they did the Comanches I'd guess"

So the two watchers lay quietly in the grass, gazing at the numerous warriors gathered around the campfire. Some of the band who been left beyond the ridge now came over, driving all their horses. By this time daylight had turned to moonlight.

"Wonder if we couldn't bory a horse or two tonight. That would beat

footin' it all the way back to the colony."

"I don't want to try that," protested Oscar. "Rather walk every step than take so much risk, I would.

"They'd better not lariat'em out too far from camp and too close from the woods. I might see what I could do.

about a hundred yards from the mound. Save for the noise of their horse's hoofs, they moved without a sound, on behind another-a lengthly string. Oscar counted thirty three. They crossed the creek, and could afterwards be seen riding up the prairie slope beyond, till lost to and rest and graze their horses-the Pawnees were seen mounting. Soon they were riding away rapidly toward the northeast. They passed only But after remaining an hour or two-long enough to eat their suppe view in the distance.

"That's the last we'll see of them," Zally remarked. "They sneaked down here into the Comanche country and now they're headin' for home, I guess. They won't much more'n tech the high places if they know what's good for 'em. They'll be lucky if they all ever see home. When the Comanches find out they're here, and what they've done, this country will

be red-hot."

"I'm glad they're all gone. What shall we do now, Zally?"

"Let's go down and see if we cain't find sumpn. We need so many

After watching the fire for a few minutes, to make sure that no live Indians had remained behind, the two boys started down the mound-side toward the abandoned camp.

"Let's go by and take a look at this first Comanche. He may have sumpn we can use' some clothes if nothin' else."

"Oh, Zally I'd hate to rob a dead man even if he is only an Indian."

But the Pawnees had left nothing but the nude body. The slain warrior "Tuh! Didn't they take our clothes? A fair swap's no robbery."

had been stripped of everything, both clothes and weapon, from his Then they approached the camp-fire. But every warrior had been The boys hurried on to the next Comanche, only to be disappointed served exactly the same way. The Pawnees had left nothing worth carrying off. Even the antelope brought in by the Comanche hunters had gone to make a supper for their enemies. The bones were still hanging moccasins to his scalp. Even the arrows had been jerked out of him. again.

"Well, if this ain't a bare camp I never seed one!" grumbled Zally,

there, the head in a fork in the limb. But all the meat had been cut from

They even carried off the antelope's hide, the stingy boogers! Nothin' left but the fire and these bones; yes, and the dead redskins. And they're partly skinned-on their heads. Mighty little here for us."

evidently, the Pawnees had sat on them, in contempt, while broiling and Most of the warriors were lying where they had fallen. But two of them had been drawn up close to the fire-so close and in such positions that,

eating their supper.

recollect most of 'em, though, specially this feller. Same chap that caught me that first day, when I tried to outrun 'em. He hit me two or three whacks on the side of my head-purty hard, too. Take that you red Zally went from warrior to warrior, peering into their dead faces. 1'm looking for old Buffalo Hump, the chief and that white feller, Calamity Jim. But they're not here,"he added as he paused at the last body,

nigger!" And the boy gave the Comanche a vicious kick.
"Oh, Zally, shame on you! And the poor fellows dead, too!"
Zally looked up quickly, quizzically. "Reckon I didn't know that, Oscar?
Didn't think I was fool enough to kick a live Comanche, did you?

"Well, don't do it again, please. They're savages, or were, but we're not. And we mustn't act like savages. Let's get away from here as soon as we can. It's a horrible place to me, with all these dead men and their staring eyes."

"It's not so very nice, I know that, Oscar. But I'd much ruther camp with'em dead than alive, like we used to. When I think what they came down here to do to us, I cain't help feelin' a little glad they git it done to them first. I'm as willin' to go as can be, but let's rustle up a bite to eat before we leave here. I'd like some br'iled antelope."

"So would I. Pecans and black haws are good, but they don't quite take the place of bread and meat."

but by cooking them all, and gnawing them clean, the boys got enough to partially satisfy their hunger for flesh. Later they put the marrow bones Having nothing to cut with, they got the antelope's skeleton down, and by hard pulling, one against the other, tore it apart. Then they raked out coals and laid the bones on to broil. There was very little meat on them; on the fire again; and they afterwards raked them out, cracked them with stones, and ate the marrow.

By this time they had as much to eat as they wanted. But the night was growing chilly, and both were very reluctant to leave the warmth. While they were still lingering, Oscar, who had been standing with his back to the fire, turned and saw Zally sitting calmly on the shoulders of a dead

warrior, while warming himself.

"Zally Pegg, get up from there! You're as bad as a savage!"

"Well, this feller set on me while he was tyin' me, that first time we got away," he grumbled. Zally had Indian blood in his own veins. But he got up and moved around to the other side of the fire, where he seated himself on the ground.

"Hadn't we better start now?"

"Yes, I guess maybe we had. This fire feels purty nice though, when a fellows as sheerce of clothes as we air. Don't know but what I'd like to

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sleep by it all night."

"I don't want to camp with dead men. And won't the Indians be apt to come and find us?"

"Them fellers? Not much! They're humpin' themselves to git out of

Ishoroyeh rides into camp and tells what happened, won't they all come "I mean the Comanches-Buffalo Hump and his band. right down here?"

Zally looked serious. Suddenly he sprang up. "That's jist what they will!I hadn't thought of that. They'll ride straight down here to strike the guess. But if they happened to find us they'd take time to wring our necks. This is no place for us. It's nice and warm now, but it's likely to Pawnees' trail. They'll be to hornet-mad to bother much about us, I get to hot before long."

"Can't we carry some fire with us, and kindle fire of our own when we

want to stop?"

"Why, yes, we might do that. And we'd better take a chunk a piece

Zally selected one blazing stick, and Oscar another. Then, after a last look around the grewsome scene, they left the camp of the dead men and set off southward.

"Wisht we had some way to hide this fire," remarked Zally, after they had passed through the strip of woods and were climbing a prairie ridge.

"Those chunks could be seed a good ways."

"Not so far while the moon shines as they could if it was darker.

dropped a live coal from one of their trunks. Not caring to set the prairie on fire, and thus attact attention to themselves and their movements, they Several times, while tramping through the high, dry grass, always stopped long enough to smother out the coal.

This prairie they had not expected to be found more than a few miles wide. But hour after hour they tramped as fast as they could, till midnight was long past; But still they were out in the open country. At last the

fiery ends of their sticks threatened to go out.

much longer there would be none to kindle. Down in a deep ravine, where water stood in wet weather, they put the chunks together, burnt grass and It would never do to start a fire out here in the open. But if they waited weed stalks on them till their ends were well fired again. Now they took them up and tramped on.

When at last they entered the woods, the moon had set and the woods were dark. The woods were thick and it was especially dark here. After penetrating nearly a mile, and while still groping their way along, and wishing they could find a ravine to kindle a fire in, they were startled by the scream of a panther not more than fifty yards away. Both turned and But, before getting well started, they stepped off the bank and rolled in a deep ravine-just what they had been trying to find. Dry leaves were a foot deep in the bottom of it, and they quickly had them ablaze. Fire they well knew would be their best protection from that beast of prey.

sometimes on the other. The frightened boys kept piling sticks and leaves For half an hour or longer those blood-curdling screams ran out at intervals, now very close, now farther off; and sometimes on one side and on their fire, to make a big blaze.

At last the cries moved away, growing fainter and fainter till lost in the

piling on plenty of it. Then they raked back the leaves, far enough to keep them from igniting, and buried themselves in the pile and fell Now the boys gathered some dry wood and made a more lasting fire,

It was broad daylight when they awoke. Their fire had burnt down, but was still burning; and they saw with alarm that the smoke was rising

skyward in the motionless morning air.

on us. No fire for us in the daytime. We've got to stop this smoke "That'll never do," declared Zally. We'll have redskins swarmin' down somehow.

They raked all the sticks together in a compact pile, which only made more smoke. Then with their hands they took up lose sand and earth from the bottom of the ravine and threw it upon the fire. The smoke was still worse. Not till they had buried the fire completely could they stop it smoking.

Now they spent an hour or two in finding and eating their breakfast. Afterward they crawled away in a thicket to sleep away the day, though not till they had made another precautionary loop in their trail.

"Better be safe than sorry," Zally remarked, after they were in hiding.

"That's so," answered Oscar. "Some of those sharp-eyed Comanches may discover our tracks when they come, back there in the camp of the dead men, and-"

"And while most of 'ems chasin' the Pawnees, a few may strike after us. Good thing to be ready to dodge 'em."

The two took turns at sleeping and keeping watch during the day. But

The sun was low when they crawled out of their thicket. While looking for nuts and other edibles, they carried stones in their hands, hoping to no Indians came, and they now felt hopeful that their fears had been groundless.

That was of little consequence, as it happened. For on going back the ravine and digging into their sand-mound, they found plenty charred sticks, still warm, but not so much as a live spark. kill a squirrel or a rabbit, but killed none.

"Well, don't that beat you!" exclaimed Zally, impatiently.

would have kept all right. But this sand smothered it out. We ought to have thought of that."

Half an hour they spent, vainly digging and scratching for at least one little live coal, and then in regretting their loss. They had fully expected to carry fire with them wherever they went, as a protection from chilly nights and to scare off wild beasts.

But regrets were useless now, and they set out on their night's tramp.

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They were traveling west. This had been agreed upon during the day. If any of the Comanches were still keeping up the search, they would be likely to ride south. By shifting their course twenty or thirty miles farther west, the fugutives hoped to elude them finally.

the night they stopped in a little patch of timber and after raking a bed of So they trudged away through the night, for the most part across by wild beasts while on the prairie than while in the woods. Once during prairie country. This was a relief; for they felt less fear of being attacked leaves together, covered themselves up in them and tried to sleep.

But their bed was rather cold and uncomfortable, and after an hour of shivering they got up and tramped on. And they kept tramping, weary as they were, till the sun was an hour high and had warmed the night-chilled

They were now on a small prairie stream, and all they could find to eat

was grapes. They breakfasted on those, then rested and slept till an hour or so past noon. Now they got up and moved on, in search of better feeding ground. Their course was still westward.

An hour before sunset they looked down from a hill-top upon a they found plenty of nuts and haws and grapes, and fully satisfied their timbered stream, with a mile or two of forest beyond it. Along the stream

After drinking at the creek they went out into the edge of the prairie valley, where the grass was thickest and highest, and began to make ready a sleeping-place. Feeling confident that they had at last outwitted the Comanches, they were not going to travel tonight.

After pulling plenty of grass for a bed, they pulled still more, a small wagonload of it, under which they crawled to sleep. They had some fears of wild animals; but in spite of that they slept very soundly till daybreak.

climbed, shivering to the top of the nearby hill for a look over the At Zally's suggestion they crawled out of their warm grass pile and

Failing to discover anything, they waited till broad daylight to look for smoke. But nothing of the kind was visible. So far as could be told, they themselves were the only human beings for many miles around.

Much relieved, they hurried down and sought the warmth of their grass pile again till the sun had taken the chill out of the air. Then they got out and made a breakfast of woods fare. They had already decided not to travel today. But there was something very important for them to do.

Heretofore, since their escape, they had had but one purpose-to elude heir former captors. That being accomplished, they were now ready to

consider the question of what they should do next.

It was a strange situation they found themselves in, and a frightfully hard one. Besides the constant danger of falling into the hands of savages again, there was danger from wild beasts, the danger of freezing in the approaching winter, and danger of starvation. Fortunately they realized all these dangers, at least in a measure. But there were also other

## CHAPTER 10

"First thing I'd like to know is: Where are we?" said Zally, while they were lying on the grass in the shade of a pecan tree. The day was already growing warm.

"Well, we traveled a long time, most of it pretty fast, too. be hundreds of miles from home," Oscar answered.

"Yes, it's a long ways back to the colony. No doubt about that. But

We've traveled "So am I, Zally; and the other half, too. what direction? I'm ha'f lost, I guess."

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So the colony must be south of "Every direction, but mostly north. direction since we got carried off."

here, though it may be southeast or southwest."

"Can we ever make it back home on foot, Zally?" The immensity of the undertaking, now that he came to think about it, greatly discouraged

"We've jist got to make it," declared Zally the resolute. "We cain't live out here in this wild country, without clothes or guns or fire or anything else. I'd like to capcher some horses, but I cain't think of any way. So the's nothin' for us but to foot it home."

it'll take us to the Gulf. And when we onct git there we ought to find the "We'd better try due south. If that don't take us to Austin's colony, colony if-"

"The Cronks ain't as dreadful as the Comanches. We've got the best of them so fur, and maybe we can outwit the Cronks, too when we come to "Of the Cronks don't eat us too quick," supplied Oscar, very soberly.

"Yes, we are. How long do you 'spose it'll take us to tramp to the em. But we're a long ways from the Cronks' country yit."

"Weeks and weeks. And maybe months. And maybe all winter. We'll have to spend no tellin' how much of our time huntin' for sumpn to

"Are we likely to come to any place where we can't find anything

"We might, 'specially out on the big prairies."

"Wouldn't it be dreadful if we did? We'd soon get so weak we couldn't travel; them we'd starve to death there."

"Plenty to eat around here, if we jist had some way to carry it,"

remarked Zally, gazing up, thoughtfully, at the well-laden branches of the

"If the Comanches had left us our clothes we could have filled our pockets with nuts. That would have been better than nothing."

home, the squirrels and crows and bears will have all the nuts and acorns carried off, and the birds will eat up all the haws and grapes. Then we'll stand a fine chance to starve. Pity we cain't lay in a good supply while they're to be found. My guess is we'll be lucky to see home before next string."

"Then we've just got to have some clothes, Zally. This must be nearly a thousand miles from the Gulf. You don't know anything about real winter, but I do. The farther north you travel, the colder it gets. There'll be plenty of snow here, I guess. We shall be sure to freeze to death without clothes; and even with clothes if we don't have fire."

Zally looked alarmed. "Then we'd better git from here as quick as we can and as fast as we can. Last night was too cold for me."

Most of the forenoon they spent talking and planning, or trying to plan. They had so little to do with, it was very hard. There were plenty of horses, but they had no way of catching them. There were buffaloes, and their skins would make good winter clothes. But the boys had no means of skinning them, to say nothing of killing them first.

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Zally looked very solemn. "Oscar," he said, "I thought if we onct got away from them there redskins we'd be all right. But we're in a mighty tight fix yit. No use denyin' that. Fact is, if we don't look mighty sharp we'll stand a fine chance to go up the spout."

"You think we shall never see home again, Zally?"

"'No, I believe we will. But it all depends. We've got to be purty sharp if we do. We've got to use our heads, jist like yore pap and mine would do if they was in or fix. We've got to see things before they come to pass, and be ready for 'em. We cain't do like we done with that Fire—cover it up and put it out because we didn't think. We've jist got to think. It's 'rott, hog, or die' with us."

"Easy enough to think what to do, Zally. The trouble is, we haven't

anything to do with."

"Well, when we cain't do what we want to, we'll have to do what we can. We cain't ketch no horses, so we'll have to foot it. We cain't make any clothes, so we'll have to keep on goin' naked. I'm a little used to that now. But we've got to hustle away from here before that snow comes. We lost seed of our fire, so we'll have to do without till we find some. Jist one thing we can do; we can make sumpn to carry our woods victuals in."

"What, Zally?"

"Why, a basket."

"I wouldn't know how. Never tried to make one."
"Me, neither. But I've watched my daddy make 'em, and I'm

how it's done."
"What will you make our basket of?"
"Willers, if we can find any. That's what pap uses, mostly. But if we

cain't run acrosst willers I'll try dogwoods, or sumpn else."

"Then let's start out now, and see what we can find."

Up they sprang and away they went. On a little spring-branch flowing across the valley from the high prairie they discovered plenty of willow

bushes; and there they promptly set to work.

The utter lack of tools made the undertaking an awkward one. But they could break the bushes down and peel them by hand, and a sharp-edged piece of limestone was used to scrape the ends of the twigs thin with, when that was necessary. Zally bent two long, pliant sticks into circles, lapping the ends of each together and wrapping them with willow bark. These hoops he put together at right angles, their joinings also being wrapped with bark. Then after selecting one hoop for the top of his basket and half of the other for the handle, he proceeded to weave in twigs to finish it.

Noon came before the work was well started, and night found it still unfinished. Yet another half-day was required to complete the basket. It would hold a nalf-bushel, or a little more. Though pretty rough, owing to

the lack of anything to cut with, it was strong and well put together. 'Here's the basket; next thing is to fill it!" cried Zally.

All the afternoon they spent at this task. Two-thirds of the space they gave up to pecans and bur-oak acorns. On top of these they packed ripe black haws and sweet grapes till the basket was full.

Night was now at hand. Again they slept—it was the third night they had slept there—in their bed of grass. At daylight they were up, and after eating their breakfast, which was already gathered, they made ready to travel.

Having found a long stick, they thrust it through basket handle, tying the handle to it, to keep it from slipping, with a buckskin thong that had once bound Oscar's hands. Then each took up his end of the stick, resting it on his shoulders, and they set off through the deep grass toward the south, Zally in the lead and Oscar behind.

They had started for home.

"Just think of it, Zally! We're going home— we're going home! Won't it be splendid to find ourselves back in Austin's colony one time more?"

"That it will—you bet it will!" chuckled the little half-Mexican. "Home's a mighty fine place to be, I can tell you! Feller never knows half how nice it is till he's drug away from it by a gang of red niggers, like we've been."

"'And won't it be great to see everybody again? You'll see all your folks, and I'll see mother and Elsie and father. And they'll be so glad to have us back. And Rover will jump all over me. That is, if he didn't die—I hope he didn't."

"So do I, Oscar. Pore old Tonk! He'll never run to meet me any more. But the red rascal that stuck a speat through 'im has alread got what he

"How do you know, Zally?"

to

"Why, didn't I see 'im back there in the dead men's camp? Uv course I did. I remembered 'im, too. That was him I's a settin' on. He had some

noles punched clean through 'im. Guess he'd found out how it felt to be

"I wonder if our folks are doing anything to rescue us from the Comanches.

"That's what I'm wonderin', too, Oscar. Though I don't know what here. And I doubt whether they could find us if they did. This is sich a they could do, unless they had men enough to foller us all the way out whale of a country. But pap would be the very feller to try it, if anybody would come with 'im.''

"Zally, I've just thought of something."

"What's that?"

"If the men from the colony ran onto the Comanches after we got away, and killed three of 'em, like we believed they did, what do s'pose they thought when they didn't find us with the Indians?"

Zally considered the matter. "Guess they reckoned we'd got away somehow; or if not that, that the reds had killed us and left us some'r's."

"That's right. But that was down there close to the colony. And when our folks couldn't find us, and we didn't come home, they

"That we'd been knowked in the head. That's right'-that's what they did. They wouldn't think about us gittin' away and then bein' cap'chured concluded that'

The two boys stumbled upon the truth. That was exactly what their ag'in. Nobody would think of that, I guess."

friends did conclude.

the Indian trail. But of course they failed to find the lost boys, who captives again, were being marched away into the wilderness. The fact On their way home, after rounding the little band of Comanches, Dave Dave Pegg and Mr. Wheeler to hope that the boys were still alive and wandering about somewhere. So armed party after armed party rode out Pegg's party had searched the country for miles around on both sides of that no bodies had been discovered, nor even any wolf-gnawed bones, led from the colony into the unsettled country, only to return disappointed.

There was so much to eat at this time of the year, and Zally had such a reputation as a hardy self-reliant fellow, that nobody believed the two boys would starve, or would fail to come home sooner or later if still alive. but when week after week crept by, and they had neither returned or been heard of, they were given up for dead and the search was abandoned.

As the two young wanderers tramped along sturdily that fine November many perils, known and unknown, which lay between them and their morning, carrying their basket between them, they pictured to each other the joyful surprise that their return home would occasion. And so real did it seem that both laughed delightedly in anticipation. In their youthful enthusiasm they forgot for the time the hundreds of weary miles and the journey's end.

They knew they must be far from home. In fact, the period of their captivity seemed so long that they overestimated the distance that they had traveled while with the Indians. They were probably about four hundred miles from the colony, as the crow flies. But the straightest route

hundred. And if they should wander about much, the distance might they could hope to travel would be five hundred, if not nearer six

stretch out to seven or even eight hundred miles.

for two bare-footed, naked, unarmed boys who must forage for a living as they went. Indeed, all things considered, it was doubtless in reality in through a roadless wilderness. And it was a seemingly impossible journey That would certainly be a vast undertaking for anybody to attempt impossible undertaking.

enthusiasm, were they that, for the first since their captivity, they joked But not so thought the two wanderers, here at its beginning. They would have attempted a much longer journey. So full of hope and

and laughed together, in their boyish way.

Knowing that there were other wandering bands of savages in this country, other than the one they escaped from, they kept a constant lookout to avoid running upon some of them. From every high point they made out what seemed to be marching Indians in the distance; but a were careful to spy out the country before venturing into it. Once they closer view revealed only a drove of wild horses.

Hour after hour the two tramped on resolutely. The farther they went the heavier grew their basket, and the oftener they shifted their stick from one shoulder to the other. Some time in the forenoon they came to a rather wide, shallow river, flowing toward the east, and waded across it. This stream, or one very similar, they remembered to have crossed while with the Comanches. From its course Oscar, who had often seen a map of the province, was of the opinion that this must be Red River, or one of the branches of Red River. That stream bounded the province on the north, as it does most of the present state of Texas.

through thick, high grass was tedious work, and they probably did not travel more than ten or twelve miles during the forenoon. They stopped at Leaving the river, they were soon out on the prairie again. length on a prairie branch.

"Well, if we don't lighten this basket a little while we're here, I'm mighty bad fooled," Zally remarked, as they got two stones and sat down in the shade, to crack and eat their dinner.

Oscar was weary. "Zally, it's a long, long road we've started on. I wonder if we shall ever see the other end of it.

victuals hide out? And won't I chatter Spanish-all she wants to hear? You jist ought to listen to me." And he proceeded to give Oscar some I've got to eat some of mammy's cookin' one time more. Won't I make wears me out. But we're jist bound to make it through. No ifs about that. Zally laughed. "I only wisht it was a road, shore 'nough. This specimens in advance.

For two hours more they rested and slept. Then they got up and tramped They did indeed lighten their basket before their hunger was satisfied.

All day the sun shone, rather warmly. By the middle of the afternoon the young travelers' bodies began to smart. By night they were a fiery red, and were burning and stinging.

## TO RECALL A FEW MEMORIES OF THE PAST

THE SPEICHER-SPYKER-SPICHER FAMILY

CONTINUED FROM LAST MONTH

Next of the children of John and Anna (Speicher) Stutzman of No. 213 of the March 1980 issue is (387) John Stutzman (213), born September 18, 1798 in Somerset County, Pennsylvania, died August 14, 1854 at Smithville, Ohio. Married to Sarah Blough, born 1802, died October 28, 1880; daughter of David and Anna Blough. They moved from Somerset and Cambria Counties, Pennsylvania to Wayne County, Ohio in the vicinity of Smithville where they raised a family of 13 children. Several who died in their minority.

1. Benjamin Stutzman, married Christenna Boller. 2. David Stutzman, married first to Lydia Harmon, second to Jacobine Naftizer. 3. Peter Stutzman, born, May 21, 1825. 4. Elizabeth Stutzman, married Solomon P. Zook. 5. Son born January 31, 1829, died February 26, 1829. 6. Anna Stutzman, born February 25, 1830, died April 6, 1845. 7. John Stutzman, born November 23, 1831, died February 28, 1833. 8. Freeman Stutzman, born September 2, 1834, died October 26, 1834. 9. Sallie Stutzman, married John Hostetler. 10. Joseph Stutzman, married Susan Hostetler. 11. Polly Stutzman, married Martin Younk er. 12. Christena Stutzman, born August 2, 1843, died January 12, 1844. 13. Lydia Stutzman, married David Fordenwalt. continued on page 24

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## NEW CHURCH MAP AND DIRECTORY

The new large map of Lancaster, Chester and York Counties are now printed. Some of them will be mailed this month, the rest will be mailed with next month Diary mailing if ordered with subscriptions. The price is \$9.00 for map and directory complete with Diary mailing and 1 year will be extended to your expiration date. As we see it now the maps can be mailed in February and the Directory in following months providing our forms are all in time.

The new map covers a larger area than before yet it is smaller in size and more convenient to handle. It gives practically all the roads with road names and church district lines marked and numbered. The creeks and mountains appear in blue as do the

school houses by number.

The directory covers the whole Lancaster family area which is Lebanon, Dauphin, Cumberland, Adams, Franklin, Perry and Montour Counties. Also included in the maping are Path Valley and White Deer Valley. Brush, Sugar and Nittany Valley families are listed but refer to the 1979 map and directory of that area.

Like the map the directory covers a much larger area than previous publications. We tried to hold all the features yet keep it more compact to cut publishing expenses. The historical section of churches and schools is now a volume by itself and has been omitted. The index is incorperated with family listings that give the names and complete address of each entry. Former address can sometimes be detected by the birth place of the children who are all listed, with birthdates as well. The married children are listed with marriage partner with a reference number to see where they are listed provided they live in the Lancaster County family area.

The directory begins with a page of map for each church district, including out-county and Maryland Districts. On the same page every family of that district is listed with a number to correspond with the number on the map to find their location. The same grid code appears on these section maps as those on the large map. If in a few years a family moves to another area their location can be found by the grid code on the large map as well as on revised section maps. This revising system, about every two years are in the Diary plan to update all present districts as well as those that may be divided and the new settlements that stem from the whole Lancaster County family. The new information would include young married family homes and all changes of addresses to present families. This added information will be available by regular Diary mailing only and to regular subscribers only.

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loose leaf binder

The same directory will also be available in a paper back bound book about a month later. These are mainly for libraries or for homes who use them lightly. From experience we know that they will not stand up to hard constant use, but will be available to those who want them. This bound book cannot be shipped with regular Diary mailing and with the added expense of binding they will cost more. The price for this book with the map will be \$12.00 postpaid. We are trying to arrange possible sales over the counter at bookstores, at the same price, with confidence that they will not be sold to tourists, peddlers or to noxious salesmen.

We hope it is clear that everyone can understand. Perhaps we

should repeat the price.

The large map and directory complete with regular Diary mailing is \$9.00. Then we extend your expiration date one year. This price is good until next month's Diary only. The raise in price will be announced each month.

The map and book bound directory is \$12.00 postpaid. This price

should be stable.

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